WEATHER.
Increasing cloudiness and warmer Wednesday, probably followed by rain at night or on Thursday; somewhat colder Thursday in west portion.

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VIGOROUS ACTION TO BE TAKEN IF GERMANY DOES NOT RELEASE PROMPTLY 62 AMERICAN SEAMEN

United States Takes Preliminary Step by Making Inquiry Concerning Retention.

IS DISCUSSED BY CABINET

Severance of Relations With Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria is Strongly Indicated.

SITUATION LITTLE CHANGED

Cabinet Reaches No Agreement as to Arming of Ships.

Washington, Feb. 13. — An inquiry concerning the retention by Germany of the sixty-two American seamen brought in by the prize ship Yarrowdale was dispatched to Berlin today by the United States preliminary to more vigorous action, if the men are not promptly released.

The plight of these sailors occupied much of the time at today's cabinet meeting, given over to the crisis growing out of Germany's submarine warfare. It was agreed that their liberty again should be demanded in most emphatic fashion. Pending complete reports as to the treatment of German crews on war-bound ships in the Philippines, Hawaii and elsewhere, however, the government will content itself with the inquiry as to why the Americans are held and under what conditions.

Cabinet Discusses All Phases.

The cabinet discussed every phase of the international situation. The question of providing guns for American shipowners desiring to arm their vessels for defense was considered, but it was stated officially afterwards that no decision was reached. It is understood that there was a division of opinion with most of the cabinet officers strongly favoring furnishing the guns both on the ground that permitting American ships to reman idle in port suggests acquiescene in Germany's course and because the congestion of ocean-bound freight in the country's ports is assuming serious proportions. Other members are said to have contended that the policy would be unwise. The President will decide the question.

Tension Not Greatly Increased.

News that an offical statement had been issued at Berlin announcing that yesterday was the last "day of grace" allowed neutral shipping before the unrestricted submarine warfare went into full effect, did not appreciably increase tension here. There has been full realization ever since the sinking of the Anchor liner California that the German campaign is being carried on in defiance of the United States and that Providence only is to be thanked that the overt act against American life that will precipitate war has not been committed.

Further Ruptures Probable.

There were strong indications during the day that the severance of relations with Germany would be extended to the other Central Powers. Austria's adherence to Germany's position is regarded as practically certain to force a break with that country. Ambassador Elkus at Constantinople was instructed today to ascertain whether submarines operating under the Turkish flag were under the same instructions as those of Germany and Austria.

Serious difficulties with Turkey already exist over interference with Armenian and Syrian relief and the detention of more than 1,000 American refugees.

It develops that no message has been received at the State Department since the break with Germany from either Ambassador Elkus at Constantinople, or from Consul General Murphy, at Sofia, who cares for American interests throughout Bulgaria. All cables to and from both points must go through Vienna, but officials have no indication as to whether they are held up there or by the local Bulgarian and Turkish authorities.

Relief Ships Delayed.

Meanwhile, the naval collier Caesar, loaded with food and clothing contributed by Americans for the sufferers in Syria, and the cruiser Des Moines, loaded with medical supplies, are lying at anchor in Alexandria harbor, unable to continue their voyage to Beirut because of the uncertainty as to what greeting they would meet. They are long overdue at Beirut, where they were to take on board the detained Americans.

Heretofore, appeals to Germany have been efficacious in instances where it was desired to bring pressure on Turkey, but its employment now would be embarrassing, if not out of the question.

It was explained after the cabinet

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President of Cuba Calls For Volunteers to Check Revolt

Is Rumored That Former President Gomez Has Landed at Camaguey, and That the Commander of Forces There and All His Men Have Mutinied—Fighting Reported Already.

Havana, Feb. 13.—Outwardly, the revolutionary situation here tonight was virtually as it has been for the last three days, but there were any rumors of uprisings in Camaguey, where, according to unconfirmed reports, Lieutenant-Colonel Quinones, commanding the troops in that province, has rebelled together with his forces.

Communication with Camaguey remains completely cut off. No trains have arrived from there since yesterday.

Among the stories in circulation concerning the trouble in Camaguey is one that former President Jose Miguel Gomez has landed there to join the rebels.

Call for Volunteers

That the government is preparing to meet a more serious situation was demonstrated today by the issuance of an official decree, by President Menocal, authorizing the enlistment of volunteers for service during a period of 90 days. Men between the ages of 18 and 45 are called for, and neither non-citizenship nor lack of ability to read or write Spanish will act as a barrier to volunteers.

It was officially announced today that the American government had granted the request of the Cuban government to sell it 10,000 rifles and 5,000,000 rounds of ammunition.

The statement given out to the press at the palace tonight, follows:

Statement From the Palace

"On the eve of the bye-elections to be held tomorrow in Santa Clara reports from that province indicate a peaceful election may be expected notwithstanding the divers bands of marauders who have so far shunned any engagements with the various detachments of rural guards, who are in close pursuit.

"The polls are, however, protected. Both sides feel confident of victory and are preparing to cast the votes that will practically decide the long drawn out presidentia lcampaign.

"The general situation throughout the island continues practically the same. Not a single mill as yet reports having stopped grinding, and in not a single case has it come to the knowledge of the authorities that its malcontents have been able to inflict any damage on property. Wherever any troops have attempted to make a stand they have been immediately attacked and routed by the small detachments into which the rural guard has organized for

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BAND OF MEXICANS KILL 3 MORMONS

Private Advices Tell of Raid on the "Corner Ranch" Southwest of Hachita, N. M.

ONE MAN TAKEN PRISONER

General Manager of Palomas Land Company Receives Report That Three Americans and Seven Mexicans Taken Away.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 13.—Private advices received late tonight from Columbus, N. M., said three Mormons were killed by a band of Mexicans which crossed the international boundary, 60 miles southwest of Hachita, N. M., today and raided the "Corner Ranch." Andrew Peterson, another Mormon, was held a prisoner, it was said.

H. S. Stephenson, general manager of the Palomas Land and Cattle Company, said he had received a report from his foreman at Hachita that three Americans and seven Mexicans were captured and 109 American horses and mules, and $1,500 worth of supplies taken away. His report made no reference to any loss of life.

MILITARY OFFICERS MAKE EFFORT TO CONFIRM REPORT

Columbus, N. M., Feb. 13.—Military officers here were making every effort tonight to confirm the reported raid of the "Corner Ranch" on the American side of the border southwest of Hachita, N. M.

The Villa band which camped at Palomas Lakes late yesterday has disappeared, according to the airplane observers who made observations today. Army officers believe the band was an exploration party for a large force of Villa troops which was reported twenty miles south of the border.

Outposts have been established by the Twelfth United States cavalry along the line and airplanes are being used as scouts along the border for fifteen miles east and west.

The Nogales ranch on the Mexican side of the boundary south of Hachita, owned by Americans, also was raided, according to word received here.

The "Corner Ranch" is located in American territory. Ten dead horses were found on the ranch after the Mexicans had raided it and large supplies, including ranch stock and other property, were seized, according to messages receive here. Several ranch employes were taken prisoner.

RECEIVES WORD HIS SON WAS CAPTURED BY MEXICANS

Deming, N. M., Feb. 13.—A. C. Peterson received word tonight that his son had been captured by Mexican raiders at the Corner Ranch on the border south of Hachita and had been carried into Mexico. The message said that two other Mormons and a number of Mexicans were carried away. Mr. Peterson had appealed to General Pershing for military aid in recovering his son.

ADDITIONAL GAINS MADE BY BRITISH

Number of Germans Killed and 47 Taken Prisoner in Trench Raid North of Arras.

KUT-EL-AMARA HEMMED IN

Turks Admit Gains for British—Increased Activity on Macedonian Front—Rumanians Lose Strong Position.

The British troops fighting in France continue their pecking at the German lines at various points and according to the latest British official communication they have met with additional successes. The greatest gain was east or Souchez, north of Arras, where an advance of several hundred yards placed them in German positions which were badly damaged by the invaders, who in addition killed a number of Germans and took 47 prisoners. Similar raids were made near Neuville St. Vaast, Loos and Ypres. In the Ancre region near Serre and Pys the Germans were unsuccessful in attacks on the newly captured positions of the British. On the remainder of the front bombardments have predominated.

Increased Activity in Macedonia.

With the return to better weather conditions, the activities of the armies on the Macedonian front have increased. The fighting, however, is being done mainly by surprise detachments and the artillery wings of the belligerents. In the Cerna bend region Berlin reports the capture by the Teutonic allies of a hill position east of Paralovo and several camps behind that front, while Paris records the repulse by the Italians of several surprise attacks attempted by the Germans between the Cerna and Lake Presba.

In this region the bombardment has grown particularly violent.

Kut-El-Amara Hemmed In.

In the Irak theatre the British have continued their drive against the Turks until they now have the town of Kut-El-Amara completely hemmed in. The Turkish war office admits the gain of ground by the British on the Turkish left wing in this region, but says the success obtained was insignificant in comparison with the losses sustained.

While the invaders still remain virtually inactive along the southern front of the Rumanian theatre, their army on the west Moldavia front has again been operating and has captured a strong point of support from the Rumanians south of the Vale Putna road. Prisoners to the number of 168 were taken, together with much war material.

BRITISH LOSSES HEAVY IN BATTLE NORTH OF THE ANCRE

Berlin, Feb. 13, (via Sayville).—Details of the violent engagements on Sunday night north of the Ancre on the Somme front are given by the military critic of the Overseas News Agency. Wiring under date of February 12, he says:

"On Sunday night violent engagements took place between Serre and the Ancre, where six attacks by the British were repulsed, the assailants suffering heavy losses. The British in the afternoon had opened an extremely

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BERNSTORFF BIDS FAREWELL TO THE NATION'S CAPITAL

Expresses Hope That War May be Averted and Friendly Relations Soon Restored.

SAILS FOR GERMANY TODAY

Many Personal Friends Call to Tell Him Good-Bye, While Others Send Letters.

Washington, Feb. 13.—In a farewell statement before leaving tonight for New York to sail for home, Count von Bernstorff expressed the hope that war between the United States and Germany might be averted and that friendly relations might soon be re-established. The former German ambassador said to a group of newspaper correspondents gathered at his home:

"In leaving the United States after a stay of eight years, I wish to extend to my many personal friends my heartfelt thanks for the great kindness and cordial hospitality they have shown me.

"My heart is full of gratitude to those whose personal feelings never wavered during the trying years of the war. In the last few days I have received so many cordial farewell messages that it was impossible to send thanks for them individually.

"Countess Bernstorff joins me in this expression of our deepest personal gratitude.

"I hope that war may be averted and that the old friendly relations between the United States and Germany may soon be restored."

The former ambassador, together with his wife and his suite, left Washington late tonight in a special train placed at their disposal by the State Department and guarded by United States secret service men. The train will carry the party to within a short distance of the berth of the Danish steamship Frederick VIII, which is due to sail for Copenhagen, by way of Halifax, at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The entire party expects to go directly aboard the ship.

All of today—his last in Washington—the former ambassador remained within the embassy building, saying good-bye to many personal friends and reading letters of farewell from out-of-town friends and from officials and diplomats in Washington who felt that in view of the situation they could not properly call in person. In the afternoon the Swiss minister, Dr. Ritter, arrived at the embassy and formally took charge of it and its archives. Two German clerks were left behind to assist Dr. Ritter. Eventually their return to Germany probably will be arranged for by the State Department.

When the newspaper correspondents arrived the count sat in front of the fireplace and dictated the statement quoted above.

He denied emphatically reports that he had talked to various persons on the subject of peace since the break between the United States and Germany.

"I have not talked politics with anyone since the break came," he said. "Any statement to the contrary is pure fiction. You can believe me when I say this. I have never lied to a newspaper correspondent since I have been in Washington."

"Where am I going when I get to

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METHODIST ORPHANAGE DORMITORY IS BURNED

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 13.—Fire today destroyed the boys' dormitory at the Methodist Orphanage here. No one was injured, but much of the clothing and personal effects of the boys were burned. The damage to the building was about $8,000 and contents about $2,000.

Fire in Sampson Fatal to Five Men

FIVE NEGRO MEN REPORTED BURNED TO DEATH IN SHANTY AT LUMBER MILL OF T. E. OWEN NEAR ROSEBORO

(Special Star Telegram.)

Clinton, N. C., Feb. 13.—A cabin in which ten negro men were sleeping at a logging camp near the mill of Thomas E. Owen, at Mints, Sampson county, burned last night. Five of the negroes were burned to death and five were injured by the flames. All were sleeping soundly and the building was falling in before any awakened.

(Special Star Telegrom).

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 13.—Five negro men were burned to death in a shanty at Thomas E. Owen's lumber Mill near Roseboro last night, according to a report reaching here today.

Two of the men were twin brothers named Owens, about 18 years old.

They and another one of the men, named Freeman, worked on the farm of Dr. J. F. Highsmith, of Fayetteville, and news of the tragedy was 'phoned to him here.

No other particulars are known here.

BERLIN DENIES THAT ANY EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO AVOID WAR WITH U. S.

HUGE NAVAL BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

Carries an Appropriation of Over $368,000,000, Greatest in Nation's History.

KITCHIN LEADS OPPOSITION

Only Twenty-Three Votes Cast Against Measure—Immediately Sent to Senate Where Consideration Will be Hastened.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The largest naval appropriation bill in the country's history was passed today by the House and sent to the Senate, where a sub-committee immediately was appointed to hasten its consideration. It carries $368,000,000, provides for the second installment of the great three-year building programme adopted last year, and includes administration emergency amendments authorizing the government to commandeer private ship yards and munitions plants in time of National peril and to purchase the basic patents of aircraft.

The voting on the bill was 363 to 23, eighteen Democrats headed by Majority Leader Kitchin, four Republicans and one Socialist voting against it.

During the debate, which was in progress intermittently for about a week, various provisions proposed as a result of the submarine crisis were added to the measure. Because of the government's difficulty in placing contracts for warships authorized last year, an amendment asked for by Secretary Daniels providing an additional $12,000,000 for equipping navy yards for construction was inserted.

The army bill will be taken up in the House Thursday.

Those voting against the navy bill were:

Democrats—Bailey, Pennsylvania; Burnett and Huddleston, Alabama; Callaway and Davis, Texas; Doughton, Page and Kitchin, North Carolina; Gordon and Sherwood, Ohio; Johnson and Thomas, Kentucky; Saunders, Virginia; Sears, Florida; Sisson, Mississippi; Tavenner, Illinois; Thompson, Oklahoma, and Tillman, Arkansas.

Republicans—Cramton, Michigan; Hollingsworth, Ohio; Lindbergh, Minnesota, and Nelson, Wisconsin.

Socialist—London, New York.

GERARD IS EXPECTED TO REACH PARIS TOMORROW

Paris, Feb. 13.—James W. Gerard, former American ambassador to Germany, and Mrs. Gerard, are expected to arrive in Paris Thursday. They will be the guests of William Graves Sharp, the American ambassador to France, and Mrs. Sharp.

No Note Inviting Suggestions for Peace Addressed to the American Government.

U-BOAT PLAN UNMODIFIED

Germany Not to Recede From the Program Which is Already Being Carried Out.

Berlin, Feb. 13, (via London).—It is absolutely denied here that Germany in a note to the United States, or through other mediums, is inviting suggestions for the avoidance of actual war. It is reiterated that the German government is not permitting doubts in any quarters regarding the position assumed in the U-boat warfare, and that there can be no talk or thought of recession from the program already being carried out.

In view of this, it is declared in authoritative circles that any further parley or exchange of the notes with the United States may be dismissed as unwarranted and improbable.

The origin of the report is ascribed to the recent announcement, made through the Swiss government, that Germany was willing to negotiate respecting the amended treaty of 1799.

SAYS GERMANY IS WORKING TO "DELAY CONSEQUENCES"

Paris, Feb. 13.—"The rupture with the United States forestalled the plans of Germany," says the Temps, "and Germany is now working to delay the consequences. The imperial government wanted by terrorism to stop the meritime communication of the allies and it has succeeded in detaining a large number of neutral ships in port. It is a patrial satisfaction, which it seems to prolong by the activity of its pirates against allied ships and by noisy affirmation that no one will be spared. Perhaps Berlin also wants to find out the real efficacy of its submarine war before going to the limit of its defiance."

"The results thus far are not up to all expectations, and that is why Germany is seeking to gain time and to maneuver opinion in the United States and other neutral countries."

RECORD EARNINGS MADE BY DUPONT POWDER COMPANY

Plans Already Made to Cope With Conditions after the War.

Wilmington, Del., Feb. 13.—All records, both as to volume of business and net earnings, were broken by E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Company last year, according to the annual report of the company, made public tonight. Gross receipts for the year 1916 aggregated $318,845,689, an increase of 1,130 per cent. as compared with the average sales for 1913 and 1914, which amounted to $25,927,478. Net earnings in 1916 were $98,108,692 and in addition to payment of six per cent. in dividends was distributed to the common stockholers during the year.

Since October, 1914, about $60,000,000 has been expended in the construction of new plants to fill "war orders."

SAYS U-BOAT MENACE NOT TO BE FATAL ONE

Confident British Will Have it Under Control in Six Weeks.

Baron Beresford Points Out That Loss in Ships is Not as Serious as It Appears—Debate in the House of Lords.

London, Feb. 13.—In the house of lords today Admiral Baron Beresford, drawing attention to the submarine menace and asking what measures had been taken to meet it, said:

"We have lost since the beginning of the war 4,000,000 tons of shipping. That is a fact which teh public should know, but it is not nearly as serious as it appears. We have made up the loss very considerably. Three million tons which have been lost have been more or less adequately filled."

In conclusion, Baron Beresford, while acknowledging the submarine menace was serious, said it would not be a fatal menace, and he was confident that in six weeks or so the nation would have the submarines really in hand.

The Earl of Lytton, replying for the admiralty, said the government would be glad if it were possible to take the public entirely into its confidence, but that that would involve imparting information to the enemy.

"We are the sea police of the entire world and Germany is playing the role of highwayman," declared Lord Lytton. "We are confident that we can continue in the future as in the past, not merely to supply our armies at the front with munitions and supplies and carry out our obligations to our allies, but also to keep free certain routes for neutral commerce and obtain necessary supplies for our own people."

Although the new phase of the submarine warfare was only a fortnight

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PUBLIC WANTS NEWS OF U-BOAT ACTIVITY

Appeal Made in House of Lords to Drop Veil of Secrecy.

Reply is Made to the Effect That the British Navy is Thoroughly Awake and Using Every Means to Combat Danger.

London, Feb. 13.—The British public has indulged the idea that the meeting of parliament would show light on the problem of how the navy is dealing with Germany's intensified submarine warfare. The press and many public men have been constantly urging the government to drop the veil of secrecy, on the ground that the losses were well known to the Germans and that therefore there would be no harm in allowing the British public to know, while the knowledge would end to encourage the people to bear patiently the necessary sacrifices.

Gossip has played with the nation that many German submarines are being destroyed or have been brought with their crews to British ports.

Admiral Lord Beresford raised the question in the House of Lords today. He appealed to the government for more open treatment of the public, thereby voicing an urgent demand for information. The Earl of Lytton ,civil lord of the admiralty, and the Earl of Curzon, lord president of the council, replied to the effect that certain routes for neutral commerce were being kept free and that the situation was less aggravated than might be supposed. They declined, however, to divulge whether the improved condition was due to a better means for ships escaping the attention of submarines or to the actual destruction of submarines, though on the latter point Lord Lytton described Admiral Sir

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NEW STATE REVENUE BILL PRACTICALLY LIKE THAT OF 1915

House Passes Bill for 15 Instead of 20 Licensed Pilots at Port of Wilmington.

COUNTY AUDIT BILL PASSES

State Good Roads Bond Issue Bill Passes House With Only One Dissenting Vote.

(By W. J. MARTIN).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 13.—The House passed and sent to the Senate today the bill to amend the navigation law for the port of Wilmington by reducing the number of licensed pilots from 20 to 15 and to exempt inland water-way shipping whenever the port becomes a port of entry for such vessels.

The revenue bill came into the House through Chairman Doughton of the Finance committee and 300 copies were ordered printed. It is really a general working over of the revenue act in force the past two years, with only minor changes. Tax rates are left exactly as in force the past two years. There are some changes of only minor importance in the special taxes scheduled in Sections B. and C.

The State-wide bill directing the Corporation Commission to have books of county officers examined and to devise and install a uniform system of accounting for all counties was passed after Senator Gough renewed his efforts to have Robeson exempted and other counties joined in the effort. Senator Brenizer explained that the bill was necessarily State-wide. The measure passed 31 to 12 and was sent to the House.

New Bills in Senate.

New bills were:

Authorize cities to establish planning boards.

Long, of Alamance—Authorize continued suspension of construction work on the Greensboro, Northwestern & Atlantic Railroad for five years.

The Brenizer bill for authorizing towns of 20,000 or more population to join with their counties in establishing homes for fallen women came up and was opposed by Senator Jones, because there were loop-holes in it that would make it possible for women other than those denominated "fallen" to be sentenced to the institution. This brought about a re-reference of the bill for amendment to be incorporated.

The Brenizer bill for the inspection of hotels as to their safety and sanitation was explained by Senator Brenizer and amended by Senator Burgwin to limit the application of the bill to establishments of 15 or more rooms. The bill passed as amended and was sent to the House.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock Wednesday.

New Bills in House

New bills offered in the House were:

Page—Provide for the election of Moore county board of education.

Kittrell—Amend the law as to the compensation of attorneys appointed to defend capital felons.

Murphy—Extend aid to Confederate veterans in attending the 1917 reunion at Washington, D. C., by authorizing any county to bear the expenses for veterans unable to attend otherwise. It was given immediate passage and sent to the Senate.

Wright—Provide for county hospitals for tuberculosis.

Russell—Relief of former Sheriff Hancock, of Carteret county.

Passed Final Reading.

Bills passed final reading as follows:

Authorize the Wilson county commissioners to build a court house; Primary law for Gates county; Repeal the Columbus game law;; Protect Oakdale church, Robeson county, and Western Prong church, Columbus county; Amend the law as to the election of Montgomery county commissioners; Authorize the Robeson commissioners to provide for the expenses of Confederate veterans to the Washington reunion this year.

State Road Bond Law Passed

Speaker Murphy laid before the House the bill by Clark, of Pitt, providing that the State may issue $400,000 road bonds semi-annually for counties that vote for road bonds, the State bonds to carry 4 per cent and the county subsidiary bonds 5 per cent, that will liquidate the bonds in the course of 41 years. The bill passed with only one dissenting vote, that of Lloyd, Republican, of Orange county, after Clark had explained it.

Representative Clayton got through a bill to abolish the recorder's court for Hyde county.

The bill to furnish farmers ground phosphate at lowest possible cost was re-committed.

A bill passed to permit high school students to attend schools in adjoining counties; also to put Beaufort county under the State-wide primary law.

The House adjourned to 11 o'clock Wednesday.

ARMOR PLANT BOARD AGAIN TO VISIT SOUTHERN CITIES.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The armor plant board, it was announced today, would make its second inspection trip, leaving Washington February 18 for Southern cities. It will visit Bristol, Va., and Johnson City, Tenn., February 19. Kingsport, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Birmingham, Tuscaloosa Gadsden and Rome, Ga., are also on the board's itinerary.

CLAIM THE SINKING OF AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE

Crew of British Ship Say it Was Sunk by Steamer's Gun Fire.

According to Their Story It Was Sent Down in the Mediterranean—French Patrol Boat Picked up Surviving Sailors

Newport News, Va., Feb. 13.—The British steamer Oxonian, which arrived here today, engaged and sank by gun fire an Austrian submarine which attacked her in the Mediterranean Sea on December 28, according to the Oxonian's crew.

Several of the submarine's crew are believed to have been killed by shots from the steamer. The remainder were picked up by a French patrol boat and taken to some British port on the Mediterranean. Th eOxonian escaped without damage to the ship or injury to the crew.

Captain Robb, master of the Oxonian, could not be located, but more than half a hundred of the crew say that they were startled while steaming along near Crete to see the white and foamy wake of a torpedo spread itself on the water just off the steamer's stern.

A minute later a black hulk popped from the water about two thousand yards away, the submarine having come up to see what damage she inflicted. British naval gunners on the Oxonian trained the steamer's gun on the submarine and a small shot whizzed through the air, the men say. The first shot missed its mark but the second struck the submersible squarely in the center and she crumpled like a paper box, the men say.

"S. O. S." calls were sent out by the Oxonian and a French patrol boat arrived a short time later and picked up the submarine's crew. The Oxonian mounts a 4.7-inch gun aft on her deck. The gun is manned by British naval gunners, the crew stated. The steamer left here December 5 with a cargo of horses for Alexandria, Egypt, and was attacked on the way across.

VIGOROUS ACTION TO BE TAKEN IF GERMANY DOES NOT RELEASE SEAMEN

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meeting that full reports on the treatment of German sailors on war-bound ships was awaited so as to make certain that no subordinate official had exceeded his authority in dealing with the ships or their crews. The government's instructions have been that legal technicalities should be waived in order to avoid any appearance of depriving the Germans of any of their rights. This has been done at all ports of the continental United States, and where officials in the Philippines and elsewhere have undertaken to guard against the ships becoming menaces to navigation, orders have been issued to confine such efforts strictly to surveillance with action only when essential.

Germany's retention of the Yarrowdale prisoners, who had been ordered released upon the demand of the United States just before the break in relations, has aroused the keen indignation, the incident almost overshadowing temporarily other issues of the grave situation.

Would Open Ports to Allies.

Senator Saulsbury, of Delaware, president pro tempore of the Senate and a majority member of the foreign relations committee, introduced a bill in the Senate today which would throw down neutrality bars to warships of the Entente Allies and open all ports, harbors and territorial waters of the United States to their warships and other vessels as freely as in times of peace.

The bill is designed to "discourage the violation of international law at sea." Whether Senator Saulsbury had consulted or had the approval of the President was not disclosed. The bill was referred to the Foreign Relations committee without debate.

Speaker Clark let it be known during the day that he did not think there would be war with Germany nor any extra session of Congress.

General opinion at the Capitol appears to be that calling of an extra session will depend largely upon the international situation.

FRENCH LINER ASPAGNE FAILED TO SAIL YESTERDAY

She May Get Away Today—Has 110 Passengers, 66 American, Aboard

New York, Feb. 13.—Although 110 passengers, of whom 66 are American citizens, were on board tonight expecting the steamship Espagne, of the French Line, to sail, she did not get away. Her officers said, however, that the vessel detained here since Saturday, probably would depart early tomorrow. It was explained that the cold weather had hampered the work of delivering coal aboard the ship.

Fifty of the Americans who have booked passage on the Espagne for Bordeaux, have volunteered for ambulance service at the French front.

You Feel Cross and Sick When Constipated

Take a Wineglassful of Tollo Water and Feel Fine in Thirty Minutes.

Constipation makes you feel rotten. It is hard to be pleasant when you have a headache, feel cross and nervous.

Get rid of constipation in half an hour by taking a wineglassful of Tollo Water and you will feel good the rest of the day. Constipation poisons the system because the waste matter in the bowels decays and gives off poisonous toxins that are absorbed into the blood and carried through all the system. That's why your skin gets yellow and blemished, your tongue coated and your breath foul.

Tollo Water from Dawson Springs, Kentucky, is Nature's true laxative. Its action is remarkably quick and gentle, yet it thoroughly cleans the intestines, sweetens the breath and clears up the skin. Its occasional use will keep the bowels regular as a clock and make you feel good all the time. Get a 15-cent bottle from the drug store and try it today. Sold by D. A. Elvington, and other druggists.

SEVENTEEN MISSING FROM STEAMER AFRIC

Big British Liner is Sent Down by Submarine.

Steamer Foreland, of 1,960 Tons, and Norwegian Motor Vessel West, Tonnage Unknown, Also Reported Sunk.

Seventeen members of the crew of the White Star Line steamer Afric are missing as a result of the destruction of the vessel by a submarine. The Afric was of 11,999 tons. Two other vessels, the British steamer Foreland, 1,960 tons, and the Norwegian motor vessel West are reported to have been sent to the bottom. The tonnage of the Norwegian ship is not known.

PART OF CREW ARE LANDED BUT 17 ARE STILL MISSING.

London, Feb. 13.—The White Star steamship Afric, 11,999 tons gross, has been sunk, according to Lloyd's. Part of the crew has been landed, but 17 of them are missing.

The sinking of the British steamer Foreland also is announced by Lloyds.

THE AFRIC HAD FORMERLY BEEN IN ADMIRALTY SERVICE

New York, Feb. 13.—The steamer Afric, reported sunk, belonged to the Oceanic Steam Navigation Company, a subsidiary company of the White Star Line. Steamship men here said she had accommodaotions for about 500 passengers, second class only. She was engaged in the Liverpool, Capetown and Australian service. The ship had been engaged in admiralty service, but whether so engaged when sunk is not known here.

The Foreland was a steamer of 1,960 tons gross, owned in London.

PRUDENCIO MIRANDA, VILLA LEADER, AT HEAD OF BAND

Hachita, N. M., Feb. 13. — The Corner Ranch, owned by the Palomas Land and Cattle Company, has been raided by a band of Mexicans under Prudencio Miranda. Three Mormons, one of whom was Andrew Peterson, Jr., have been captured and taken away, according to a message received here by officials of the company. The message which came from Alamo Hueco, 45 miles south of Hachita, stated that all the teams had been seized and that all the Mexicans employed on the ranch had left the place.

Miranda, formerly a follower of Orozco, is one of Villa's leaders in northern Chihuahua.

Jose Ynez Salazar, commanding the rebels in the region evacuated by General Pershing, is reported to be 65 miles south of the line from here.

U-BOAT CAMPAIGN CUTS OFF THE SPANISH COAL SUPPLY.

Madrid, via Paris, Feb. 13—The newspapers of all opinions in the Bilbao region have started a campaign to urge the authorities to adopt measures to relieve the crisis which has arisen as a result of the paralysis to sea traffic because of Germany's submarine campaign.

For several days not a single collier bringing coal has entered port. It is feared that factories may be compelled to shut down altogether.

BERNSTORFF BIDS FAREWELL TO THE NATION'S CAPITAL

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Germany? That all depends. I am going first to Berlin. Then may be I will go to my place near Munich. I don't knew just what I shall do. It is all so uncertain."

After dinner at the embassy, last minute packing was completed and Count and Countess von Bernstorff were driven near midnight to the station, where their party already had assembled.

EVERY PRECAUTION TAKEN TO INSURE SAFE DEPARTURE

New York, Feb. 13.—Elaborate precautions have been taken by Federal and municipal authorities to insure the safe departure of Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador, and the 149 members of the embassy staff, from this port tomorrow on the steamship Frederick VIII.

The liner, the pier and the route along which the abassador will travel after he leaves the train from Washington, all were under special guard tonight. Dudley Field Malone, collector of the port, slept aboard the Frederick VII., having given instructions to be called if there is any violation of the rigid orders put in force regarding the approaches to the liner.

Harbor police launches patrolled the river tonight in proximity to the steamship, keeping close watch on the vessel's rudder should an attempt be made to disable the steering apparatus or in any other way inflict damage that might delay sailing. A barricade was constructed on the pier to hold back curious crowds or persons wishing to say good bye to passengers, officers and crew, Count von Bernstorff and those traveling with him.

Arrangements have been made to bring the ambassador's train to within a block and a half of the pier over a switching system used only in exceptional cases. Ordinarily, the ambassador would have had to leave his train 19 blocks from the liner, where the tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad terminate. Taxicabs will take the official part the block and a half to the steamship which will be guarded by secret service men, members of the neutrality squad and special police details, from Hoboken and New York City, numbering altogether more than 200.

Revenue cutters and police launches will accompany the steamship on the trip out of the harbor, it was stated, and a torpedo boat destroyed may escort the vessel to the three-mile limit.

WOLF VON IGEL IS AMONG VON BERNSTORFF'S PARTY.

New York, Feg. 13.—Wolf von Igel, former secretary to Captain Franz von Papen, dismissed German naval attache, will be permitted to sail tomorrow on the Frederick VIII as a member of Ambassador von Bernstorff's staff, although under Federal indictment charging him with alleged complicity in a plot to destroy the Welland Canal. Federal officials admitted here today. Von Igel is now at liberty under $20,000 bail.

RULERS OF GERMANY AND AUSTRIA EXCHANGE GREETINGS

Dinner is Given in Vienna in Honor of Emperor William.

London, Feb. 13. — Warm felicitations were exchanged by the German emperor and the Austrian emperor at a recent dinner in Vienna given in honor of Emperor William. Emperor Charles, in toasting his guest, referred to the close military and political alliance between the two empires, and is quoted by a Reuter dispatch from the Austrian capital as saying:

"In sorrow and joy, in war and peace, trustfully united, we will succeed with the gracious assistance of the Almighty in leading our states towards a happy future. I drink to the health of your majesty, my true friend and ally."

The German emperor, in replying, expressed his warm thanks and said:

"I assure your majesty again on this occasion of my true and unalterable friendship. In this friendship I see a clear expression of the close alliance between Austria-Hungary and Germany, which is still more firmly cemented in our common fight.

"God grant that soon again, after this serious and great time, the blessings of an assured peace will fall upon our countries, united by firm and trustful bonds, and that they will enjoy a happy future."

SUBMARINE TRAINING BASE AT LOS ANGELES IS URGED

Would Also Establish War Operating Base at San Diego

Washington, Feb. 13.—Establishment of a submarine training base in Los Angeles and of a submarine war operating base at San Diego is recommended in a report of the special navy commission headed by Read Admiral Helm made public today by the Navy Department.

Today's report is the third submitted by the Helm commission, previous recommendations having concerned the establishment of additional naval stations on the Pacific coast. Later reports will submit recommendations of a similar nature for the remainder of the Pacific coast, the Atlantic coast, the Gulf coast and the insular possessions.

CONGRESS TO CANVASS THE PRESIDENTIAL VOTE TODAY

Senator Saulsbury Will Preside Over Joint Session in the House

Washington, Feb. 13.—Congress will meet in joint session tomorrow in the hall of the House to canvass the vote of the November election and to declare Woodrow Wilson and Thomas R. Marshall formally elected for the four-year term beginning March 4, next. The President pro tempore of the Senate, Senator Saulsbury ,will preside over the joint session and supervise the official count.

The Senate will march to the House shortly before 1 o'clock preceded by Senate pages bearing the boxes containing election certificates from the 48 states. When Senator Saulsbury takes the gavel, Speaker Clark will stand at his left while the tellers are canvassing and announcing the vote state by state in alphabetical order.

PHILIPPINE BANK NAMED AS FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT.

Designated to Serve as Such for San Francisco Reserve Bank.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The Philippine National Bank was designated today as correspondent of the Reserve Bank of San Francisco, in furtherance of the Reserve Board's policy of establishing correspondents throughout the world to extend American trade and make secure the dollar as the standard of international exchange.

The board previously had authorized the appointment of the Bank of England as correspondent of the Reserve Bank of New York, but the actual appointment has not yet been made. The Philippine bank is the first outside continental United States to be appointed correspondent of the Reserve system.

CASE AGAINST SAMPSON IS TO GO TO THE JURY TODAY.

Clay, W. Va., Feb. 13.—The hearing of evidence in the trial of Howard Sampson, charged with the murder of Preston Tanner, a neighbor, in the Booger Hole district of West Virginia, closed today and the case will go to the jury tomorrow. As soon as a verdict is reached, Andrew Sampson, father of the man now on trial, will be tried on the same charge. An attempt recently was made to lynch the Sampsons who were accused of being connected with nearly a dozen mysterious murders in the district.

ARMED COURIERS ON WAY TO REPORT ON THE RAID

Columbus, N. M., Feb. 13.—Military authorities announced tonight that armed couriers had been dispatched from Hachita to report on the raid on Corner Ranch.

Peterson, one of the Mormons taken prisoner, was engaged by Lem Spillsbury several days ago to join two other Cormon cowboys in a search of stray cattle along the border. Their course brought them to the scene of the reported raid.

Fear is felt here that the captured Americans have been killed.

ENEMY SUBMARINE VENTURES NEAR THE COAST OF FRANCE

Paris, Feb. 13. — An official statement issued tonight reads: "An enemy submarine emerged at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the mouth of the Adour river and fired six shots at the coast. The land batteries immediately replied. At the first shot the submarine dived quickly. Five persons were wounded, one seriously. The material damage was insignificant."

PUBLIC WANTS NEWS OF U-BOAT ACTIVITY

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John Jellicoe, first sea lord, as being "not dissatisfied."

Both Lord Lytton and Lord Curzon, while withholding actual details which might be useful to the enemy, intimated in a general way that extensive measures had been adopted to deal with the situation. Apparently, the means the government is relying on are a great multiplication of destroyers and the arming of merchantmen. Lord Lytton said that all the ship yards in the world would not suffice to build the destroyers needed, but every available yard was being utilized for that purpose.

Both speakers represented the admiralty as being thoroughly awake and to employ every useful device submitted to it for coping with the danger.

An Effective Laxative For Growing Children

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin Highly Recommended as a Family Remedy.

In children the slightest irregularity of the bowels has a tendency to disturb the entire digestive system, and unless promptly remedied invites serious illness. The experienced mother knows that by training her children to regularity in this respect, and when occasion arises administering a mild laxative, she will have little need for the doctor's services.

Mrs. Leo Weigand, 3251 Central Ave., N. S., Pittsburg, Pa., whose two boys, Frank and Joseph, are shown in the illustration, writes that she has found Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin a most effective laxative, not only for the children but also for herself and that she will always keep it in the house to use when needed. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that acts easily and naturally, without griping or other pain or discomfort. It is pleasant to the taste so that children like it, and is equally effective on the strongest constitution.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin can be obtained at any drug store for fifty cents, and should have a place in every home. It will save many times its cost in lessened doctor bills and maintain the health of the entire family. To avoid imitations and ineffective substitutes be sure to get Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. See that a facsimile of Dr. Caldwell's signature and his portrait appear on the yellow carton in which the bottle is packed. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 455 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

PRESIDENT OF CUBA CALLS FOR VOLUNTEERS TO CHECK THE REVOLT

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the purpose of dealing more effectively with the parties at large.

"Absolute quiet prevails in Pinar Del Rio, Havana and Matanzas. In the first of these provinces is a small band thought to be captained by Baldomero Acosta, Guas and Pino is being so closely pursued that it is thought not many hours can pass before it falls into the hands of the authorities.

"Communication with Camaguey and Oriente probably will be re-established during the night.

"The American government has shown a friendly interest in the Cuban situation and its desire to be of help in every possible way has been further demonstrated by its prompt acquiesence in the purchase by the government of 10,000 rifles and 5,000,000 rounds of ammunition."

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT MUCH DISTURBED OVER THE REVOLT

Washington, Feb. 13.—The American government is much dicturbed over the revolutionary outbreak in Cuba, but while it stands ready to take any steps which may become necessary to protect U S interests there, no apparent preparations have been made so far for active intervention of any sort. The State Department is watching developments anxiously, but officials still hope the Cubans will work out for themselves a satisfactory solution.

In some diplomatic quarters there is a belief that strong foreign pressure has been felt in the island republic, and that Germany, because of her break with the United States, would be most likely to figure in such a move. If officials have any evidence that there is truth in these suspicions, however, they have not revealed it.

FIGHTING IS REPORTED TO BE IN PROGRESS ALREADY.

Havana, Feb. 13.—It is reported that rebels, believed to be under command of Col. Baldomero Acosta, mayor of Mariano, who were attacked by rurales this morning, escaped in the direction of Canas, 40 miles from Havana. Later the rebels came in contact with army forces, and fighting is reported to be now going on.

SPEAKER OF CUBAN HOUSE ASKS PRESIDENT TO RESIGN

New York, Feb. 13.—Dr. Oriestes S. Ferrara, speaker of the Cuban house of representatives, who is now in this city, made public tonight a cable message he had sent to President Menocal calling upon him to resign in favor of Vice President Varona if he would "leave a name that shall not be cursed by your children because connected with an era of your brothers' bloodshed and the loss of the republic."

Dr. Ferrara and Dr. Raimundo Cabrera, a prominent lawyer of Cuba and editor of the "Cuba and American Review," left Havana a week ago, coming to the United States as special representatives, they admitted tonight, of the directorate of the Cuban Liberal party, of which General Jose Miguel Gomez, former president of the republic, is the leader. Dr. Ferrara said he had learned that his newspaper, "El Heraldo De Cuba", had been suppressed by the Cuban government yesterday, and that all the members of the staff had been imprisoned.

FARMERS USING OLD PLOWS

Will Not Pay Increased Prices, Says Manufacturer.

"Manufacturers of agricultural machinery and implements have profited less by the war perhaps than other lines, because there has been a constant state of uncertainty," said William Butterworth, of Moline, Ill.

"Farmers are using their old implements, because they will not pay the increased prices which necessarily the agricultural implemen makers have been compelled to charge. The result has been a decreased production of implements since the war began, and although the sales have been less, the money value of the business has been greater. This has not brought greater profit, however, because the prices for raw materials have advanced very greatly. Timber, steel and cotton have gone way up in price, and necessarily it has been impossible to manufacture implements as cheaply as before the war.

For the most part the makers of agricultural implements have been forced to buy their raw materials in a hand-to-mouth sore of fashion. They could not afford to buy large quantities, because a sudden ending of the war would leave them with a stock of depreciated material on hand. We have sold on agricultural machinery to the belligerent nations, and our trade with neutral countries, of coudse, has been shortened."

Mr. Butterworth, who is a son of the late Benjamin Butterworth, of Ohio, is the president of one of the largest agricultural implement companies in the west.

SPANISH CABINET WILLING TO RESIGN IF ADVISABLE.

Madrid, via Paris, Feb. 13.—During a spirited debate on the economic situation today, Count Alvaro De Romanones, the premier, declared in the chamber of deputies that the cabinet was willing to resign if its critics believed that another could do better.

RECOMMENDS PREFERENCE OF BRITISH GOODS AFTER WAR

London, Feb. 14.—The Times says it understands that the committee appointed by Premier Asquith last summer to consider Great Britain's commercial and industrial policy after the war ha smade a preliminary report to the government, unanimously recommending imperial preference as the foundation for the British economic world policy of the future.

OUCH! LAME BACK, RUB LUMBAGO OR BACKACHE AWAY

Rub Pain Right Out With Small Trial Bottle of Old, Penetrating "St. Jacob's Oil."

Kidneys cause Backache? No! They have no nerves, therefore can not cause pain. Listen! Your backache is caused by lumbago, sciatica or a strain, and the quickest relief is soothing, penetrating "St. Jacob's Oil." Rub it right on your painful back, and instantly the soreness, stiffness and lameness disappears. Don't stay crippled! Get a small trial bottle of "St. Jacob's Oil" from your druggist and limber up. A moment after it is applied you'll wonder what became of the backache or lumbago pain.

Rub old, honest "St. Jacob's Oil" whenever you have sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism or sprains, as it is absolutely harmless and doesn't burn the skin.

CORNS HURT TODAY?

Lift your corns or calluses off with fingers and it won't pain you one bit.

Yes! You truly can lift off every hard corn, soft corn or corn between the toes, as well as hardened calluses on bottom of feet without one bit of pain.

A genius in Cincinnati discovered freezone. It is an ether compound and tiny bottles of this magic fluid can now be had at any drug store for a few cents.

Apply several drops of this freezone upon a tender, aching corn or a callus. Instantly all soreness disappears and shortly you will find the corn or callus so shriveled and loose that you lift it off with the fingers.

You feel no pain while applying freezone or afterwards.

Just think! No more corns or calluses to torture you and they go without causing one twinge of pain or soreness. You will call freezone the magic drug and it really is. Genuine freezone has a yellow label. Look for yellow label.

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SPORTS

RELATIONS WITH THE FRATERNITY SEVERED

National League Will Have Nothing More to Do With It.

Resolution Adopted Abrogating Agreement of 1914 Passed While McGraw and Fultz Were Holding Conference.

New York, Feb. 13.—The National League and the Baseball Players' Fraternity came to the parting of the ways here late today while Manager John J. McGraw, of the New York National League club, and President David L. Fultz, of the Players' fraternity, were in secret conference, endeavoring to reach a common ground upon which the so-called strike of the players could be compromised. The senior organization passed unanimously a resolution abrogating the agreement made with the fraternity at Cincinnati on January 8, 1914, and when McGraw returned to the meeting it first appeared as if his self-imposed mission had been in vain.

Later, when President Tener, of the National League, read the resolution to the newspaper representatives, he explained that no discrimination was to be made against any player who might have been or continued to be a member of the fraternity. As this was the principal request made by Fultz in his conference with McGraw as a guarantee before taking steps looking towards the lifting his strike order insofar as it affected the major leagues, it appeared that his request had received consideration.

That the magnates realized the seriousness of the situation that faces baseball, both from internal and international complications, was shown by the fact that the baseball writers were called into the meeting of the league for one of the very few times in the 40-odd years of its existence and the following resolution was read, after which the magnates stated that they were ready to answer any questions which might be asked:

"Whereas, the Baseball Players' Fraternity has violated the letter and spirit of an agreement made between National agreement leagues, clubs and players, entered into of date of January 16, 1909, therefore be it,

"Resolved by the National League of professional baseball clubs, that insofar as that league is concerned, this agreement be and is hereby abrogated and all relations between this league and said fraternity are hereby severed and terminated."

When the resolution was shown to Fultz he refused to state what action the fraternity would take until he had consulted other officers of the organization. Before he left McGraw arrangements were made to meet again tomorrow when Fultz hoped to go before the National League, but the action of that organization virtually barred the way for such a move.

Several of the club owners were aware that the fraternity officials were eager to meet the big league magnates more than half way and this may have had some bearing upon their action.

Whether Fultz will decide to call off the strike upon the strength of the National League resolution could not be learned tonight. The fraternity leaders refused to be quoted upon this point.

President Herrmann, of the Cincinnati club, in explaining the adoption of the resolution, claimed that no major league player had any grievance.

President Tener said that the American League would take similar action at its meeting tomorrow and that the National Commission would have no further dealings with the Fraternity.

MAHLER STARS IN SUCCESS OF MT. PLEASANT QUINTETTE

The following special from Mt. Pleasant will be read with interest in Wilmington:

"The Mt. Pleasant basketball team rolled up a score of 131 to 34 within 24 hours. By the score of 48 to 10 the cadets defeated the Winecoff High School at Winecoff Friday afternoon . Both teams played a fast game but the good shooting of Schenck, L. ., and Mahler, W. A., were the outstanding features of of the game.

"In the C. H. S.-M. P. C. I. the cadets were again victors in an exciting game played on the local floor Friday night. The end of the first half found Mount Pleasant leading 17 to 11, but the end of the second half found Concord trailing behind by a score of 41 to 20. Mahler and Schenck lead in shooting, while the guarding of Schenck, J. E., and Bost, W. B., proved to be too much for the locals. Sappenfield and Miller played a good game for the locals.

"The Howell High School team met the cadets at Mt. Pleasant on Saturday at 2:30, but were unable to shoot a field goal against the weary team of the day before. The visitors played a good team but lacked practice in goal shooting. The score was 42 to 4. Mahler brothers and Schenck, L. V., featured for the locals."

CAROLINA DOWNS V. P. I. IN GAME FULL OF SNAP, 31-23

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 13—In a game full of snap and pretty shooting, Carolina tonight downed V. P. I., 31 to 23. Both halves were very rough, but in spite of no bounds and heavier opponents, Carolina was able to show a brilliant style of play. Shepard was the distinct star of the game, caging six hard shots. McDuffie secured five, and between them, Younger and G. Cocke, were continually outguessed.

Raby Tennent's guarding was thorough and after the first five minutes V. P. I. had little chance for close shooting.

The first half ended 14 to 13, V. P. I., but the White and Blue left the Virginians completely behind in the last [illegible] minutes.

[illegible] Carolina [illegible] able to shoot fouls, [illegible] would have been much larger. [illegible] and Logan played well for V. [illegible]

TWO YOUNG NEGRO MEN DROWNED IN CAPE FEAR

Motor Boat Upset by Striking a Dredge's Cable Yesterday A. M.

Wilber Smith and "Booger" Thomas, of Southport, Lose Their Lives When They Jump Into the Water From Fear.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Southport, N. C., Feb. 13.—Two young colored men, Wilber Smith and "Booger" Thomas, were drowned in Cape Fear river early this morning some distance above the quarantine station, when the motor boat in which they were coming down the river struck a cable as it passed a dredge and was upset, the two young men jumping into the water, when they thought their boat was going to turn over or sink.

A party of eight colored young men went up the river last night on a motor boat to a dance at a point above the fish factory, below Orton. Returning this morning early, about 4 o'clock, and passing the dredge at work above the U. S. quarantine station, the boat ran over a cable of the dredge's, causing the boat to careen heavily, putting the gunwale under water and causing the shipping of a quantity of water. There were some of the men on the outside of the boat, which had a cabin, and to them it looked as though the boat would roll over.

Among those on the outside were Wilber Smith and "Booger" Thomas, who, feeling the boat going over, jumped into the water. Two others were about to follow but were held back and those on board moving to the other side, the boat righted and came to an even keel.

The two young men in the water appeared powerless to help themselves. One had apparently caught the cable, but in a few moments both had gone down to death, and were not again seen.

The other six were put ashore by the men on the dredge and walked home to Southport, where they told of the disaster and the loss of their companions. A party to search by using drags was organized, and went to the scene of the accident to try for the bodies, but had not found any sign of them tonight.

TEMPERANCE LECTURE AT THE HEMENWAY SCHOOL TONIGHT

Miss Tingling, National Lecturer, Will Speak at Schools Today.

A lecture on scientific temperance instruction by Miss Christine Tingling, National lecture for the W. C. T. U., who arrived in Wilmington last night from her home in Norfolk, Va., will be given in the Hemenway school auditorium tonight at 8:15 o'clock. All parents and teachers are especially requested to attend this meeting as Miss Tingling will have a special message for them.

She will speak to the children of the public schools this morning, visiting the different institutions, and the parents are invited to attend these lectures also. She will speak at the High School at 9 o'clock, at the Union school at 10 o'clock, at the Cornelius Harnett school at 11 o'clock and at the Hemenway school at 12 o'clock. She was to have spoken at Winter Park this afternoon but this engagement has been cancelled, it was announced last night.

Miss Tingling has made a special study of scientific instruction and her lecture should be of interest to all parents and teachers. For a number of years she was a member of the summer school faculty of the University of Tennessee and her work met with the cordial approval of Dr. P. P. Claxton, formerly dean of that school, but now United States Commissioner of Education.

HANSON AND GARDNER TONIGHT

Crack Matmen Will Meet at Woolvin Hall—Good Match Promised

Tonight's offering at Woolvin Hall will undoubtedly prove a battle for blood. From Charlotte comes Pink Gardner with the avowed determination of licking Fritz Hanson in his home city, while Fritz is dreaming of putting a certain citizen of the Queen City out of the running as a contestant for premier honors in the wrestling arena.

They will both have all their resolutions with them when they climb through the ropes, but just who will leave his behind when they climb out remains to be seen. This should be the best clash of the season, bar none. Gunner J. B. McGurley will officiate as referee.

ELON GOES DOWN BEFORE THE ONSLAUGHT OF A. & M. QUINT

Elon College, N. C., Feb. 13.—Elon went down in defeat on the local floor tonight before the onslaught of the A. & M. quint by a score of 29 to 12. Cox, Elon's center, being ill, the local team was handicapped. The score at the end of the first half was 6 and 12 in favor of A. & M.. Kline starred for A. & M., securing seven field goals. Harris secured three field goals for Elon. Many personal fouls were called on both teams. Ducey was taken out on account of four personal fouls.

HELPFUL HAIR HINTS

Would Avoid Dandruff, Itching Would Avoid Dandruff, Itching Scalp, Gray Hairs and Baldness.

"What will stop my hair coming out?" Reply: Parisian Sage is the best remedy for hair and scalp trouble; said to prevent baldness, grayness and dandruff.

The great war has not interfered with the sales of Parisian Sage—one of the most helpful and invigorating hair treatments known—as it is made in this country from the original formula.

"Before going to bed, I always rub a little Parisian Sage into my scalp," says a woman whose luxurious, soft and fluffy hair is greatly admired. This stops itching scalp, keeps the hair from falling out and makes it easy to dress attractively.

Beautiful, soft, glossy, healthy hair for those who use Parisian Sage. You can get a bottle of this inexpensive French hair dressing from J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co. and druggists everywhere, with guarantee of satisfaction, or money refunded.

UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK. DON'T STAY BILIOUS, CONSTIPATED

"Dodson's Liver Tone" Will Clean Your Sluggish Liver Better Than Calomel and Can Not Salivate.

Calomel makes you sick; you lose a day's work. Calomel is quicksilver and it salivates; calomel injures your liver.

If you are bilious; feel lazy, sluggish and all knocked out, if your bowels are constipated and your head aches or stomach is sour, just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone instead of using sickening, salivating calomel. Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and bowels regular. You will feel like working. You'll be cheerful; full of energy, vigor and ambition.

Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal guarantee that it will clean your sluggish liver better than nasty calomel; it won't make you sick and you can eat anything you want without being salivated. Your druggist guarantees that each spoonful will start your liver, clean your bowels and straighten you up by morning or you get your money back. Children gladly take Dodson's Liver Tone because it is pleasant tasting and doesn't gripe or cramp or make them sick.

I am selling millions of bottles of Dodson's Liver Tone to people who have found that this pleasant, vegetable, liver medicine takes the place of dangerous calomel. Buy one bottle on my sound, reliable guarantee. Ask your druggist about me.

DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at 11 a. m.

Resumed debate on postoffice bill.

Senator Simmons reported revenue bill with amendments.

Senate foreign relations sub-committee proposed new bill for government of the Danish West Indies and providing for commission to investigate needs of the islands.

Commerce committee minority report proposed $25,000,000 lump sum appropriation as substitute for $39,000,000 rivers and harbors bill.

Senator Saulsbury introduced bill to open American harbors to allied warships to aid in abating the German ruthless submarine campaign.

Senator Borah introduced bill to repeal reorganization and federalization of the National Guard.

Rejected proposal to change rules so that changes in postoffice rates could be incorporated in postoffice appropriation bill.

Adjourned at 6:05 p. m. to 10 a. m. Wednesday.

HOUSE

Met at 11 a. m.

Sent agricultural appropriation bill to conference.

Conferees reported hopeless disagreement on general dam bill.

Representative Moore, Pennsylvania, raised question of privilege on declaration of Representative Callaway, Texas, that steel, shipping and powder interests, by control of certain newspapers, had sought to induce Congress to make huge preparedness appropriations.

Passed annual naval bill carrying $369,000,000.

Passed annual pension bill carrying $160,000,000.

Adjourned at 5:10 p. m. to 12:30 p. m. Wednesday.

FUNERAL AT BURGAW

Remains of Mr. I. W. Herring Laid Way—Service by Rev. Mr. Weston

(Special Star Correspondence).

Burgaw, N. C., Feb. 13.—The remains of the late Mr. I. W. Herring, whose sudden death occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. F. Colwell, in Wilmington Sunday, were brought here Monday morning and taken to the Baptist church where the funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. L. Weston, the pastor, after which interment was made in the cemetery by the side of his wife, who preceded him to the grave above a year ago.

The announcement of the death of Mr. Herring was quite a shock to his friends here, who had seen him on the streets here only a few days ago, apparently in his usual health. While his health had not been good for some time the end was not expected so soon.

Mr. Herring was a resident of Burgaw for about ten years and during that time impressed himself upon all as a good citizen. He was a good neighbor and was always found on the right side of every question.

He had been twice married, having five children by his first wife and none by his second. He had been a member of the First Baptist church for many years and was also a Confederate veteran. All of his children were here to attend the funeral and also many relatives and old friends from Duplin as well as a large number from here, who braved the very cold weather to pay the last tribute to his memory. The grave was covered with beautiful flowers.

FAVORABLE REPORT ON CIVIL SERVICE PENSION MEASURE

Washington, Feb. 13.—A retirement bill under which civil service employes would pay dues of not more than eight per cent. of their salaries and would retire at 70 on half pay was favorably reported today by the Senate civil service committee. For the first fifty years the government would subsidize the retirement fund, and at the end of that period it would be self-supporting. Pensions would be limited to a maximum of $600 a year.

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BACK TO FEE SYSTEM

Cumberland Commissioners Ask Legislators to Restore Old Order.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 13. — The board of commissioners of Cumberland county in a special meeting here yesterday voted resolutions asking Cumberland's members of the General Assembly to have enacted such legislation as is necessary to put back on a fee and commission basis all the officers of this county who were placed on a salary in 1913. This action followed the advocacy of the return to the fee system for all county offices by the mass meeting held here Saturday to protest against the Jarvis county movement, the meeting's action being predicated, in turn, on the commissioners' step in asking the Legislature to place the sheriff back on fees. The commissioners state in the preamble to their resolution that they feel that the interests of the public will be etter served by a return to the fee system.

Miss Mary A. Johnson Dead.

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 13.—Miss Mary A. Johnson, of this city, died in Raleigh yesterday morning. Miss Johnson, who held the high esteem of a large circle of friends, was the sister of J. F. Johnson, A. P. Johnson and Mrs. C. M. Kelly, of Fayetteville. She was the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Johnson. The funeral was held from the residence of J. F. Johnson on Maiden Lane at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, being conducted by Rev. J. L. Fairley, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of which she was a member.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

One of the dearest thoughts to me is this, that a real friend will never get away from me, nor try to, nor want to. —SHEPPARD.

Oh, you, Old Sol!

Senator Works off a speech now and then.

Where was some of this coolness last August?

If poppycock were eggs, we'd be independent of the egg king.

The overt act is liable to be the result of wildcat press dispatches.

If you do a good business for yourself in Wilmington, do some good business for Wilmington.

The way to keep Wilmington in the public eye is to make something happen every day.

You never raised your boy to be a soldier, but how do you know but that he is to be a general?

One reason why we trust to the wisdom of our fathers is because of the contrast between their wisdom and the loquacity of our brothers.

Many of those who declare that they are behind the President should not be so far behind him that they won't hear him when he calls them to the colors.

It was reported that Billy Sunday converted Gene Foss at Boston. Gene hasn't denied it, so it is additional evidence of Billy's power to make an errant brother take to the saw dust trail for safety.

The Columbia State chronicles the fact that Robert Wylie, a negro, was shot at a "hot supper." Well, Robert has every reason to know that it was a hot supper all right. Somebody put the hot in shot.

The Baptists of North Carolina have decided to raise $1,000,000 as an endowment and equipment fund for the Baptist colleges and secondary schools in this State. Well, that's what the Baptists will do, too.

Your fellow beings may forgive what you say or do, but they can never forget what you have said and done. You may be sorry for what you say or do, but memory will not let you forget what you have said or what you have done. Don't say and do those things which you can regret but never forget.

When a man is in a position where he can't help himself, he pursues the even tenor of his way. When he becomes possessed of a big stick he is very much disposed to knock off somebody's block. Nations are very much like men, even when it comes to not knowing when it is loaded.

We imagine that as a newspaper man, Tom Bost could have prophesied that the North Carolina Legislature would never pass a woman suffrage bill, even though he might be in love with equal rights, free seas and the freedom of the press. A newspaper man's business is to furnish the news regardless of his views.

"Friendly relations" speeches are always premature during such critical times as these. Ambassador Gerard made one in Berlin a few weeks ago and now he is out of Germany and is on the way home. No one knows what a day may bring forth during war. Neither assurances nor predictions are ever safe.

Based upon reports from Mexico, several American papers denounced Carranza for cabling his congratulations to the Kaiser for inaugurating his unrestricted U-boat campaign. President Carranza declares that he didn't do anything of the kind. In Mexico as well as in the United States there are people who will lie on a president just as quick as they will lie about a fishing frolic.

VICTORY FOR THE PHARMACISTS.

Re-inforced by the endorsement of Governor Bickett, who declared in his inaugural address for the enactment of such a measure, a bill was presented to the Legislature early in the session by the State Board of Health to require printing on the label of each bottle or package of proprietary medicine sold in the State the ingredients it contained and the amount of each. The bill was known as the "open formula" bill and was a measure for which the State Board of Health, understood to have had the backing of the medical profession, had waged a vigorous campaign.

As soon as the "open formula" bill was introduced there arose a storm of disapproval on the part of the manufacturers of proprietary medicines and others. The pharmacists, having representation in the Legislature, proposed a bill of their own and it has been passed, while the bill urged by the State Board of Health has been killed. The pharmacists' bill, which becomes operative upon ratification, prohibits the sale, offering for sale or advertising in this State of any preparation or device purporting to cure diseases for which the orthodox medical authorities declare no cure has been found. The penalty for violation is "not exceeding $100 for each offense."

The bill which the Legislature passed provides that for its efficient enforcement it "shall be under the supervision and management of the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy," instead of under the supervision of the State Board of Health, as provided in the proposed "open formula" bill. The new law makes it the "duty of all registered pharmacists to report immediately any violations of this act to the secretary of the Board of Pharmacy, and any willful failure to make such report shall have the effect of revoking his license to practice pharmacy in this State."

The measure also provides that the chemists and other experts of the De the rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Board of Pharmacy, and upon request of the secretary of the said board, make an analytical examination of all samples of drugs, preparations and compounds sold or offered for sale in violation of this act." The State Board of Health is left out of it entirely, except it seems that this board may have the authority to say what diseases are incurable. Having named the class of incurable diseases, the work of the State Board of Health ceases, it appears, so far as this law is concerned, it being left up to the pharmacists to enforce the law and see that no preparation or device is offered or advertised for sale for the cure of diseases which have been pronounced incurable.

Thus the State pharmacists' organization, it appears, beat the State Board of Health at its own game. The "patent medicine" question seems to have been permanently settled, so far as this session of the Legislature is concerned. There is no prospect that any further legislation on this subject will be attempted during the present session. There seems to have been no serious fight made against the bill proposed by the pharmacists. Its author was Senator Bennett, of Swain county, himself a pharmacist, it is said.

OUR INCREASED PORT COLLECTIONS.

The Star wants to give Winston-Salem all the credit that is due her on account of the large increase in the collections at the port of Wilmington, of which North Carolina's great tobacco manufacturing city is an interior subsidiary. Under the new regulations of the Treasury Department, Wilmington is the only port in North Carolina, while all other ports of entry, such as New Bern, Elizabeth City and Washington, are subsidiaries. Col. Walker Taylor, collector of the port of Wilmington, has supervision over all the subsidiaries and their business is of record as that of this port.

While the volume of import collections at this port has swollen tremendously, the Winston-Salem collections largely exceed even the duties collected in Wilmington. The port gets credit for the whole, while some Winston-Salem man laments the fact that his splendid city does not even get the publicity that is coming to her on account of it. Thereupon, he makes this just complaint in a communication to the Winston-Salem Sentinel:

"While Winston-Salem is 'going after things,' for the advancement of her interests, why not have credit given her for some of the things she already has?

"We frequently read newspaper dispatches from Statesville, Wilmington and Washington City, commenting in glowing terms on the marvelous 'records' made by Collector This and Collector That.

"'His receipts ran to $1,642,000 for month, an increase in his office over the same month of the previous year of $450,000.'

"So the story runs, with never a word, however, of where the receipts come from. All North Carolina knows, of course, that it is Winston-Salem that turns into the government coffers, via Statesville, where the collector retains headquarters, virtually all of the internal revenue of the district—incidentally the biggest in the United States. But what deserved publicity does Winston-Salem receive therefrom? You couldn't find it with a microscope.

"Likewise with the collector's office in Wilmington. The establishment of 'the port of Winston-Salem'—subsidiary to the old port of Wilmington, and reporting through Wilmington—has caused receipts of the collector's office there to increase 20-fold. Yet there is never a mention of Winston-Salem in the dispatches relating this marvelous tale of 'record breaking.'

"Isn't it about time to have the tail stop wagging the dog, at least so far as the collectorship of the Fifth Internal Revenue District is concerned? Winston-Salem deserves this office. Imagine a private business in New York, say, having its executive headquarters in Colfax, for example.

"Any sort of determined action on the part of the business men of this community would bring the office here. It is worth while in many ways. Then why not?"

The tobacco stamp tax goes to the revenue collector's office at Statesville, but owing to the fact that the greater portion of North Carolina's tobacco revenue is paid by Winston-Salem manufacturers it does seem quite reasonable that the Twin City is the place for the collector's office. However, as Winston-Salem simply imports goods in bond for delivery there, the collector of the port of Wilmington naturally handles the import receipts as a simple matter of administration.

In the fact that Winston-Salem is a subsidiary of the port of Wilmington there lies a commercial opportunity for Wilmington. Winston-Salem imports millions of dollars worth of sugar, licorice and other commodities used in the manufacture of tobacco, but none of those shipments comes through Wilmington in bond. Winston-Salem's imports and exports do not pass through Wilmington, but the probability is that they pass through New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Norfolk.

North Carolina cities ought to export and import through North Carolina's port, but Winston-Salem is not the only city that is handling export and import commodities. Durham, Reidsville, Rocky Mount, Wilson, Greenville, and Kinston export huge amounts of either manufactured or leaf tobacco, but none passes through Wilmington. The value of North Carolina's tobacco exports exceeds that of cotton and it would be an immense business for the port of Wilmington if shipping arrangements could be made here to handle at least a portion of the tobacco exports through Wilmington.

WESTERN CATTLE RAISERS COMING

The Star has often asserted that the chief result of packing house and creamery markets in Wilmington would be that it would attract homeseekers to Wilmington's tributary territory, in addition to the immense advantage that a near-by home market for livestock and dairy products will give our own farmers in the way of a new opportunity to secure additional farm income all the year round. The Lumberton Tribune sees in the packing industry a broader means for farm development throughout this section, and that paper remarks:

"Announcement is made that work is shortly to begin on the erection of a packing house in Wilmington. This should greatly encourage more attention being given to the raising of livestock in Eastern Carolina, an industry that this section has neglected for a long time."

The largest part of the machinery for Wilmington's creamery was received by Mr. A. G. Warren last week, and the plant will be ready for operation in a few days. It already is providing a market for all the cream and milk that can be produced within a hundred miles or more of Wilmington. Instead of having one packing house, Wilmington will have two, but even before they are erected the certainty of the packing industry here already is attracting Western and Northern cattle raisers and dairy farmers to this section.

It is understood that an enterprising Ohio many has bought land in Pender county and will soon bring nine families down here to make a specialty of livestock farming. He came here all the way from the bleak shores of Lake Erie and has decided to locate in Pender, as the recent action of the Legislature assures the fact that the stock law will be permitted to make of it a very desirable county. Others interested in stock raising also have been looking around in Pender, but they held off owing to the seeming unsettled stock law fight that was in full blast when they came here to prospect.

Duplin and Pender are very much in the eye of the homeseekers because of the fact that the Atlantic Coast Line passes right through them and affords regular refrigerator transportation with New York and the largest markets of the North. With the stock law once settled, those two splendid counties will look good to new comers from the North and West.

In fact, this whole section of North Carolina, with its packing house and creamery markets, will appeal strongly to new settlers. These industries will provide a new farming opportunity for Eastern North Carolina and there is no better time than the present for advertising the livestock, packing and creamery industries as additional advantages to the general opportunities in this section for growing cotton, tobacco, truck, peanuts and all other crops.

NEW BERN CASE IN JUNE

Mrs. Bain and Pate Waive Examination and Give Bond.

(Special Star Correspondence).

New Bern, N. C., Feb. 13.—For the time being the famous Bain-Pate-Hoffman case, in which Mrs. Garnett Bain, of this city, is charged with slandering little Miss Nina Hoffman, and aiding and abetting in an attempted criminal assault upon her and in which W. R. Pate, a well known local dairyman, is charged with having attempted the criminal assault, has been held up, the defendants waiving preliminary examination and being bound over to the June term of Craven county Superior court under bonds of $100 and $150 respectively.

Arm Broken By Auto.

Warsaw, Feb. 13.—Mr. Floyd Strickland, while cranking an automobile a few days ago, had the misfortune to break his arm, the accident being caused by the car kicking.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Better get busy and let us have an investigation into the State prison. If affairs are as reported this State owes it to itself to act. Act, anyway, and let's find out.—Greensboro Record, (Ind.)

Besides declaring a regular quarterly dividend and raising the rate for the future, the American Beet Sugar Company has declared an extra dividend of $12 on each share of common. This is the industry that the Underwood bill was to kill.—Rochester Herald.

Mr. Kitchin says the cost of preparedness is largely put upon the North because the North demands preparedness and the South is indifferent. But let him watch how the North pays the tax and then collects a return from the South by adding it to the cost of production.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

We note in the papers that the Hon. George H. Bellamy, commonly known as the "Duke of Brunswick," is to run for Congress. And thus another of the captains of the great Hannibal has forsaken him. But every now and then the Duke threatens to run for Congress, and even now he may be making a bid for more fertile pastures to graze upon. The Duke has been stalked out before.—Lumberton Tribune.

National preparedness takes many forms. One form it may well take in the United States during the next few months is the raising of great crops. Prosperity for a people depends on something more than an influx of gold from other portions of the globe. However wealthy a nation may be as measured by the volume of gold stored in its treasure vaults, it must eat, and it cannot well eat gold. No one is wise enough to forecast with accuracy, even approximately, the end of the fighting in Europe. Until fighting does cease, and for an indefinite period afterward, the Old World will continue to draw upon the food supply of the United States. The condition is a natural one, whether it be deemed wise and equitable or not. Present prices for food products in the United States will continue abnormally high unless extraordinary efforts are made to meet the crisis by increasing the supply. Europe may be expected to continue its drain on American resources. In a sense this country must continue to feed not only herself but a considerable portion of the Old World. The answer lies with America's producers of food. In spite of various agencies tending to distort conditions the fundamental influence behind the high cost of food products is the familiar old law of supply and demand. In general food is high because there is not enough of it in general, it will be come cheaper if more is grown and marketed.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

PORTRAIT OF JUDGE GEORGE HOWARD PRESENTED TO STATE

Presentation by Judge H. G. Connor; Acceptance by Judge Clark.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 13.—The Supreme Court room was thronged with people this morning gathered for the ceremony of the presentation of an oil portrait of Judge George Howard to the court to be given a place on the walls of the court room with other distinguished jurists and lawyers who have served the State ably in private and public life. The presentation of the portrait was by Judge Henry G. Connor, of the Federal court, on behalf of the sons and daughters of Judge Howard—George Howard, William Stamps Howard, Mrs. Julia Baker, Mrs. Job Cobb and Mrs. George A. Holderness, of Tarboro, and Mrs. William T. Clark, of Wilson. The portrait was accepted on the part of the court by Chief Justice Walter Clark.

Judge Connor made a most admirable address in review of the career of Judge Howard from his birth in 1829 in Tarboro until his death there in 1905. Incidentally Judge Connor reviewed the life of the father of Judge Howard, George Howard, native of Baltimore, who located at Halifax, N. C., in 1824, and started a weekly paper. The Free Press, which he moved to Tarboro and changed the name in 1836 to The Tarborough Press. Then later in 1853 he changed the name to the Tarborough Southerner, under which name it still runs, being the oldest newspaper in the State.

BURGAW NEWS BUDGET.

County Commissioners Meet—Auction Realty Sale a Success.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Burgaw, N. C., Feb. 13.—The auction sale of town lots and farming tracts of Mrs. Rachel Carroll came off here yesterday, the property bringing fairly good prices. There was a large crowd present and with the band making music and the souvenirs given away, the crowd was well entertained.

The children's chapter of the U. D. C. held its regular monthly meeting last Friday at the home of Miss Geneva Moore and attended to routine business.

The county commissioners held a special meeting Friday to attend to the regular business, on account of failure to meet on the first Monday. Only Chairman Farrior and Commissioner G. J. Moore were present, Commissioner Flynn being detained by sickness.

AN OLD RECIPE TO DARKEN HAIR

Common Garden Sage and Sulphur Makes Streaked, Faded or Gray Hair Dark and Youthful at Once.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is mussy and troublesome.

Nowadays we simply ask at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound." You will get a large bottle of this old time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients for about 50 cents. Everybody uses this preparation now, because no one can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, thick and glossy and you look years younger. Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound is a delightful toilet requisite. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

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Regular $1.00 value Corduroy in tan and white; special at ....59c yd

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Silk and Wool Phidias Cloth, 44 inches wide, navy and black only .....$1.75 yd

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Aside from routine business the jury list for March term of Superior court for civil cases was drawn.

The severe cold of the last few days has just about killed everything green around here except rye.

Mr. Hallie Sidbury has gone on a trip to Detroit, Mich.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE PAYS VISIT TO THE UNIVERSITY.

Inspect Buildings and Grounds and Address the Students.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 13.—The visiting committee from the North Carolina Legislature, consisting of Senators Everett and Burgwin, and Representatives Pharr, McLendon, Davis, Grant and Joyner, spent yesterday at the University, going over the grounds and buildings. The members of the committee addressed the student body in Gerrard Hall at 12:45 P. M., and a packed house was out to hear them. President Graham welcomed the legislators and in witty vein introduced them to the students. "You have before you," said President Graham, "one of the most interesting spectacles that civilization presents." When the laughter had subsided he declared that he meant to be serious, that in this visit "Democracy was giving one of its most interesting exhibitions in ruling itself." He then introduced Senator W. N. Everett, of Rockingham, who presided at the meeting, and himself made a humorous and interesting talk.

Operation Proved Successful

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 13.—Mr. Edgar Williams, a popular young business man of the town, had an operation performed at Greensboro a few days ago. His many friends will be glad to learn that it was successful, and that Mr. Williams will return to Warsaw in a short time.

FISH AND OYSTERS SCARCE

Bad Weather Puts Crimp in the Industry in Neuse River Section

(Special Star Correspondence).

New Bern, N. C., Feb. 13.—The inclement weather which has prevailed in this section for the past three weeks has put a crimp in the fish and oyster industry and the sea food is as scarce at New Bern and Morehead City as it is in the Western part of the State, or scarcer for the local market depends upon the local supply for practically all of its fish and oysters while the Western cities also get some of theirs from other points.

It has been too cold for the fishermen to go out. One old salt declared today that he had lived on the North Carolina coast going on to thirty-five years and that in all that time he had never experienced such a long "spell" of cold and it has simply taken the life out of the hardy sons of the sea.

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT SPEAKS AT GREENSBORO FEBRUARY 22

To Address Annual Convention of North Carolina Peace Society.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 13.—Ex-President William H. Taft, now a Yale lecturer, is scheduled to speak at the annual convention of the North Carolina Peace Society, to be held in Greensboro next week. President Taft's address will be on Washington's Birthday, the 22nd, and will be in the Municipal Theatre. The chamber of commerce is considering the advisability of arranging one of its two-bit dinners for President Taft on this occasion. It is not known yet whether President Taft could speak on this occasion, and it will be ascertained whether or not he would be willing to speak at this time.

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BELIEVES WILMINGTON WILL HAVE BIG MEETING

Mr. F. H. Abbott Enthusiastic Over Live Stock Conferences.

Representative of Southern Settlement & Development Organization Tells of Splendid Work That Has Been Done in Georgia.

"Wilmington is going to have the very best livestock exposition and conference we have yet held in the South," declared Mr. F. H. Abbott, western manager and representative in charge of the publicity work of the Southern Settlement & Development Organization ,who arrived in Wilmington yesterday to look after the arrangements for the livestock conference here.

Mr. Abbott will return this afternoon to Savannah, Ga., where he is spending some time in assisting in the organization of the Georgia Landowners' Association. The forming of this organization which is devoting its energies particularly to tick eradication and to putting livestock into Georgia was a direct outgrowth of the livestock conference held a year ago at Moultrie, Ga. The association will also devote attention to diversified farming, needed agricultural legislation and a nation-wide advertising of idle lands in South Georgia.

Mr. Abbott stated that drainage is one of the big problems in Georgia as it is in Eastern North Carolina, while the securing of suitable forage for stock is another question of great importance.

The organization of landowners is, in the opinion of Mr. Abbott, one of the fundamental needs of the present situation in the South. He pointed out yesterday that one of the big benefits of holding these livestock conferences has been the forming of such organizations. When the landowners are organized they are in a position to secure needed legislation and also learn how to co-operate in the development of lands.

The owners of the soil really hold the key to the solution of many important and pressing problems, Mr. Abbott believes, and while the publicity work of the newspapers, the demonstration work by extension agents of the state and Federal agricultural departments, are of utmost importance, he believes that after all it is the farmers who must actually solve the problems of agricultural development and that in order to do this they must get together.

"I am sure that local interest is such as to justify the attendance of representatives of the leading livestock papers of the country and of record breeders' associations," said Mr. Abbott when the State-wide livestock conference in Wilmington was mentioned.

Mr. Abbott spoke in the highest terms of the splendid publicity being given the conference. There will be a large attendance from all over the State, he believes, and he emphasized the fact that all indications point to the biggest event of the kind ever held in the South.

"And you can't have a meeting like this without getting immediate results," he added. "I have traveled extensively over this country and have had abundant opportunity to get acquainted with conditions and I know of no section that offers greater advantages for livestock than in Eastern Carolina."

Accompanied by Secretary Branch, of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Abbott visited the Tabernable, where the stock exhibit will be held, and was very much pleased to find such an ideal place for the show.

MANY ADDITIONS TO THE STATE HALL OF HISTORY.

Col. Olds Secured Interesting Data and Relics on Recent Trip.

Col. Fred A. Olds, director of the State Hall of History, has just returned to Raleigh from a trip to Wilmington and other points in the eastern part of the State where he collected an interesting lot of data about the War Between the States and 40 volumes of Wilmington papers that were contributed by Messrs. C. C. Chadbourn and DeWitt C. Love and Mrs. Edward Kidder, according to yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer.

"Colonel Olds ascertained from Mr. Charles W. Worth, of Wilmington," The Observer continues, "information concerning the private and State salt works that were located near Wilmington during the Civil War period. The State salt works were in charge of John M. Worth, who afterwards became State Treasurer. He went to Masonboro sound, where Mr. Walter L. Parsley lives, and saw the old home of William Hooper, one of the three men from North Carolina who signed the Declaration of Independenc. Colonel Olds secured a photo of the home, which was built in 1770 and yet in splendid condition.

"Colonel Olds learned that there were more than two forts near Wilmington during the war period. Besides Fort Caswell and Fort Fisher, there were Fort Anderson, Fort Lee and Fort Strong. Relics of Fort Fisher, including bayonets, bullets, grape and canister shot were presented to the Hall of History by Captain John W. Harper, who also presented a sword found near the famous Tory hole at Elizabethtown as a souvenir of the Revolutionary War."

REWARD FOR JOKER.

City Firemen Are Tired of Answering False Alarms Just for Fun.

Fire Chief Charles Schnibben announced yesterday afternoon that a reward of $25 would be paid for information leading to the conviction of the person or persons who have been active recently in turning in false fire alarms.

The department has been troubled considerably of late by alarms from remote sections of the city, where, on arriving, they found nothing more than a peaceful residential section. Last night the men were called to Seventh and Harnett streets in answer to a false alarm.

In view of the high price of gasoline and the great amount that is being wasted in running over the city on wild goose chases, Chief Schnibben thinks that it is high time the forces of law and order took a hand with the practical joker who likes to see the fire trucks in action.

DR. STOVALL MAY BE EMPLOYED FULL TIME

Health Board Favors Abolishment of Old Pest Houses.

It is Decided to Limit Work of City Laboratory to Public Health Work—Restoration of Old Title is Voted Down.

The appointment of a committee to investigate the advisability of employing Dr. Arnold Stovall for his entire time on the same basis that Dr. John Thames was formerly employed, was the chief feature of the regular monthly meeting of the County Board of Health which was held yesterday afternoon. All members of the board were in attendance at the meeting, which was presided over by Chairman W. A. McGirt.

It was also voted that the board should recommend to the city and county the abolishment of the old pest houses, provided a suitable isolation building can be erected on the county farm property.

The board also decided that in the future the city laboratory should do only such diagnostic work as is necessary for the control of contagious diseases, and that its operations should be limited to the actual public health service work of the county.

Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, county health officer, recommended that Mr. E. Piner be given his former title of chief of the sanitary police. This proposition was made in the form of a resolution by Prof. Washington Catlett, and was seconded by Mayor P. Q. Moore. Two ballots were taken which resulted in a tie, Dr. John C. Wessell and Dr. R. B. Slocum voting against the restoration of the title, and Professor Catlett and Mayor Moore voting in favor of the restoration. Chairman McGirt broke the tie by voting "nay", thus defeating the proposition.

A committee consisting of Mayor Moore, Drs. Slocum and Wessell was named to consider the matter of employing Dr. Stovall for his entire time, the resolution for the naming of the committee being offered by Mayor Moore. In this connection, it was pointed out by those advocating the change that Dr. Stovall has proved and efficient officer and that the volume of work required of him requires his full time.

In addition to the reading and filing of the monthly reports of the various subordinate officials of the Health Office, it was made a matter of record that the board at its January meeting had authorized the Health Department to exchange its Ford car for a new machine of the same make.

Monthly Reports

The report of Dr. Arnold Stovall, city and county physician, gave the number of visits made to the indigent of the city and county as 156, and the number of new cases of measles during the month as 108.

Miss Christie Pinner, school and infant welfare nurse, reported that she had made during the month 247 visits to homes, 64 visits to schools, and that 126 children were excluded from school on account of illness, of which number 95 were referred to their family physician and 31 to the county health officer. The number of infants under care was given as 20.

The chief of the sanitary police reported that during the month this department made 14,662 inspections, ordered cleaned 1,413 outhouses, and cleaned 1,435 outhouses.

The plumbing inspector reported that during January his department had installed 47 fixtures, connected 18 houses with sewers, laid 14 sewers, issued 25 permits and made 17 inspections.

Director Geo. F. Catlett, of the city laboratory, reported that the sanitary condition of the city's water supply during the month has been excellent, although there has been some delay in the securing of the new filter equipment.

Dr. T. E. Carroll, meat and milk inspector, submitted the report covering the operations of his department during the month of January as follows:

Made 84 inspections of dairies and dairy farms. The sanitary conditions, health of cattle and attendants were good. The following are the results of the batter fat tests and bacerial counts for the month:

	Per Cent Fat	Bacteria Per c. c.
Chas. Rogers	4.8	8,000
H. A. DeCover	3.7	15,000
W. Leeuwenburg	4.0	16,000
G. W. Johnson	4.6	18,000
Cape Fear Dairy	4.1	18,000
Holland Dairy	4.0	20,000
E. C. Craft	3.8	20,000
W. M. Collins	4.5	22,000
M. Schnibben	3.9	29,000
W. A. Spencer	4.4	51,000
Barlow Bros.	3.9	59,000
A. G. Warren	4.1	158,000
Echo Farm	4.1	220,000
Cape Fear, (St. Helen)	4.2	360,000
F. P. Turlington	4.4	660,000

Made 2,262 post examinations of fresh slaughtered meats as follows: 148 cattle, 2,005 hogs, 96 calves, 12 sheep, and one goat, with one beef, 9 hogs and 5 sheep condemned as unfit for food.

Food Inspector H. R. Aiken submitted his report for the month, which showed the various scores made by the different soda fountains, ice cream and confectionery plants, restaurants, bakeries, markets, grocery stores, fish stalls, delicatessens and dairy lunch rooms in the city.

HEAVY TOURIST TRAFFIC.

A. C. L. Operating Its Florida Flyers in Two Sections to Accomodate Travel.

According to information given out from the offices of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad yesterday, the tourist travel between the North and South is heavier just now than it has been at any time since the beginning of the winter.

The Coast Line trains that serve this class of travelers are being operated in two sections, and it is understood that the same holds true of the Seaboard Air Line with their Florida flyers. In something like three weeks, the tide will begin to turn toward the North again.

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Patrons Are Assured of an Attraction That Will be Worth While.

All Money Secured by Local Organization to be Used in Civic Improvement Work—All Arrangements Completed at Meeting.

Every dollar secured by the Rotary club from the entertainments at the Academy of Music Thursday and Friday night will be devoted to civic improvement work in the city of Wilmington. Patrons are assured of an attraction that will surpass anything thing ever presented by local talent before and are guaranteed their money's worth. The Rotary club is standing squarely behind the enterprise and will make a success of the undertaking.

Never before has such an aggregation of local musicians and entertainers been gathered together for a single performance. Two big attractions that alone will be worth the price of admission will be the presentation of several musical numbers by the Acme Male Quartette and the Wilmington Symphony Glee Singers.

The curtain will rise promptly at 8:30 o'clock each night, rain or shine, and there will be no delay and no dragging, Mr. Ashley Curtis told the members of the club at their regular meeting yesterday afternoon. Mr. Curtis is in charge of the arrangements for the big affair.

As the curtain rises there will be heard in the distance the familiar songs such as "My Old Kentucky Home," "Swanee River," pleasingly arranged in a medley. Immediately following will be a flag salute and drill by a squad from the Wilmington Light Infantry under the command of Lieut. Owen Fillyaw. This will be followed by the singing of "America" by a chorus of children.

The next number on the programme will be the minstrel show which will last for 45 minutes. There will be some star performers in this feature. End men in blackface will entertain the crowd with an assortment of specialties and some guaranteed new jokes.

The scene will then shift to that representing the outside entrance of a circus and an opportunity will be afforded here for the display of much artistic talent by "Uncle Jake," "Farmer Jones" and other well known characters that are always to be found at such places.

Then will come the big cabaret scene in which there will be songs and dances by scores of beautiful maidens and handsome young men. This will include several of the new dances such as the aeroplane waltz. There will be a number of songs by some of the best singers in the city.

The Rotary club will have a big parade tomorrow afternoon starting from the city hall promptly at 12:45 o'clock. The procession will move down Third street to Red Cross, Red Cross to Front, Front to Princess. The Rotarians will be in line and will be headed by a musical organization.

Discussion of arrangements for the entertainment was the principal feature before the Rotary club yesterday. All the members were enthusiastic and reported large sales of tickets. From present indications the big auditorium in the Academy of Music is going to be crowded both nights.

Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., chairman of the special committee to go before Council regarding the factory sites proposition, told of what had been accomplished. He was glad to say that no strenuous opposition had been encountered and that there was every prospect that the proposed underwriting plan would be endorsed when it is voted on in the city election in April.

Mr. MacMillian also suggested that it would be wise to look into what is proposed to be done about the sleeping car service which the Atlantic Coast Line put on between Wilmington and Raleigh during the sessions of the Legislature. He had understood that this service might be continued after the Legislature adjourns by running the sleepers to Richmond instead of to Raleigh.

The need of a through sleeping car service between New York and Wilmington was brought to the attention of the club by President Roger Moore, who stated that not long ago a party en route to this city had to walk about a half mile in zero weather in Washington before being able to find a car for Wilmington. He thought it ought to be investigated.

It was decided to appoint a traffic committee to investigate both these propositions and report to the club.

A letter was read calling attention to the holding of a district Rotary conference in Charlotte on April 7. A committee will be appointed to arrange for the attendance of a delegation of Rotaryians from Wilmington.

The club went on record as favoring the display of as many American flags as possible on Washington's birthday and to recommend that this be made the beginning of a more general display of patriotic colors. Mr. C. W. Polvogt kindly offered to supply Rotarians with flags for display on the holiday. Other citizens in the city will be asked to join in the observance of the day in this manner.

The question of inviting the North Carolina Bankers' Association and also the North Carolina Good Roads Association to hold their annual conventions at Wrightsville Beach this summer was referred to the convention committee with power to act.

WITH THE RECORDER.

"Tank" Williams, Negro Vagrant, Was Worst Sufferer Yesterday.

There was somewhat of a dearth of defendants in Recorder's court yesterday morning, only three cases being disposed of. Ed Williams, alias "Tank" Williams, a negro charged with vagrancy, was fined $10 and the costs, but not having sufficient finances to meet the obligation he went to the roads for 30 days. A. J. Hankins, also colored, paid the costs for a violation of the driving ordinance. The case against Harry Walker, white, charged with fraud was held open, but it is understood that he is to make good the amount of the prosecutor's loss. In the juvenile session, C. Weston, a small colored boy, charged with stealing a bicycle tire was paroled in the custody of Probation Officer Johnston.

PLAN TO ENLARGE THE DUTIES OF FORESTER

Lumbermen and Timberland Owners Held Meeting in Raleigh.

Capt. O'Berry, of Goldsboro, Recommended for Appointment to Geological Survey Board to Repsent Forestry Interests.

Mr. Z. W. Whitehead, editor of the Southern Lumber Journal, returned last night from Raleigh, where he attended a State-wide meeting of lumbermen and timberland owners, together with members of the State Forestry Association and Board of Geological Survey, at which plans were perfected for legislation looking to forest fire prevention and timber conservation.

The plans contemplate that the State forester shall devote his entire time to forestry matters, and who is to appoint and supervise county and township fire wardens wherever there is timber enough to justify the expense of patrolling same.

Capt. Nathan O'Berry, of Goldsboro, was selected as the man to be recommended to Governor Bickett for appointment on the Board of Geological Survey to represent the lumber and forestry interests of the State. Governor Bickett was called on by the delegations and asked to appoint Captain O'Berry. The Governor said he would be glad to do so and that the appointment would be made at once.

Between three and four million dollars worth of merchantable timber, it is estimated, was destroyed last year by forest fires in North Carolina, and Governor Bickett proffered all the aid he could render to the lumber and forestry people.

Editor Whitehead was very much elated over the progress made in the way of forest fire prevention, forest conservation and lumbering, as he has been waging an active campaign in this direction since last summer and naturally feels gratified that his efforts have met with such success.

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, is chairman of the State Geological Survey, of which Capt. Nathan O'Berry will be a member, and Dr. J. S. Holmes is State Forester.

SERGT. MORSE WINS MEDAL.

Adjudged Winner in Competitive Contest of W. L. I. Last Night.

After a hotly contested drill last night, the W. L. I. medal for the best drilled man in the company was awarded to Sergeant James Morse. Private William G. Monroe was runner up in the contest and gave the winner a run for the honor. The medal was formerly held by Sergt. McC. B. Wilson, who won after a gruelling contest about three months ago.

This contest is held regularly every three months, the holder of the medal being barred from competing. Considerable interest is always manifested in the competitive contests, and no man can expect to win it without a fierce struggle.

The company also held its regular inspection last night. The members are making every effort to become as proficient as possible in the maneuvers for a double purpose. First, they want to be in the best possible condition in event they are called on to mobilize in case of war, and secondly, because when the local company of engineers are demobilized, they will have some opposition as to the crack company of the city.

CAPT. HARPER SAYS THAT THE REPORT WAS ERRONEOUS

Did Not Tell Passengers on Wilmington They Could Not Visit Fort.

The report that he had warned passengers on the steamer Wilmington that they would save time and trouble by not visiting Fort Caswell, unless they had business at the post, is entirely erroneous, according to Capt. John W. Harper, who has been the clever and genial master of this vessel for many years past. Captain Harper says he has given his passengers no such warning at any time, and is at a loss to know how the report gained circulation.

He wishes to correct it because he feels it does him an injustice, as he has no authority to make such statements as were attributed to him. It was stated by persons visiting Wilmington that persons visiting the Fort now are not allowed to visit the Fort unless they have the permission of the commander of the post.

LAND SUIT CASE WILL GO TO JURY THIS MORNING

Argument of Counsel in Case of Quelch vs. Futch to be Concluded.

Argument of counsel in the case of Mr. J. P. Quelch and others against Mr. D. K. Futch, which is being tried before Judge W. M. Bond in Superior Court, will be concluded this morning, following which the case will go to the jury.

The final batch of witnesses and the argument of counsel for the most part was heard yesterday morning and afternoon. Following the disposition of this case the regular docket will again be taken up. The only other case tried yesterday was that of Lucen Black against Benjamin S. Black, in which the jury returned a verdict for divorce upon statutory grounds.

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BIG CROWD ATTENDS AUCTION

W. N. Royall Property is Sold for $9,250, Mr. Wood Buying Two Lots and Dr. Murphy One Lot.

Lively bidding by an unusually large number of representative citizens characterized the auction sale of the W. N. Royall property on Third street, between Chestnut and Grace, which was held yesterday at noon. Two of the lots were purchased by former Councilman Thos. W. Wood, while Dr. J. G. Murphy purchased the third lot.

The auctioneer was Mr. W. H. Matthews, of the United Realty Company, through which concern the property was offered for sale by James & James.

The corner lot on Third and Cochran streets, 40x115 feet, was knocked down to Mr. Wood for $4,650, and he also became the purchaser of the second lot, on Cochran street, 40x80 feet, for $1,050; while the third lot was sold to the highest bidder, Dr. Murphy, for $3,550.

The foregoing property, which was formerly the home of the late Mr. W. N. Royall, is one of the most valuable in the residential section of the city. Those attending the auction were given attractive souvenirs.

GO TO RED SPRINGS.

Episcopal Priests and Laymen Are Attending Diocesan Convocation.

Archbishop Thomas P. Noe, Bishop Thomas C. Darst, Rev. W. R. Noe, rector of the Church of the Ascension and of the Church of the Good Shepherd; Rev. R. E. Gribbin, rector of St. John's, and Rev. E. deF. Heald, rector of St. Paul's together with a number of laymen from all the local Episcopalian church, left yesterday for Red Springs to attend the semi-annual convocation of the Wilmington Diocese, which convened at St. Stephen's church in that city at 8 o'clock last night for a two days' session.

A number of women of the city also left for Red Springs to attend the conference in the inerest of their churches. It is understood that there are a number of important matters to come before the meeting, one of which concerns the woman's work in the church. Rev. Mr. Heald is dean of the convocation, and Rev. W. R. Noe is secretary.

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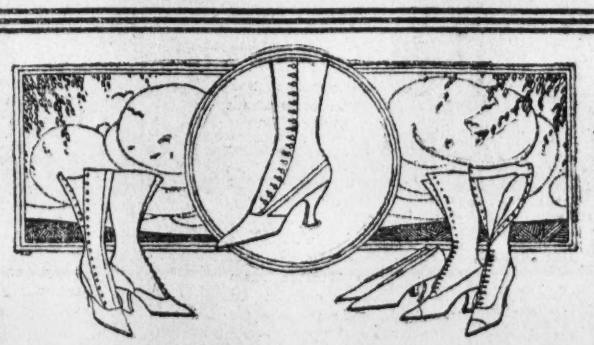

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Milton are spending some time at New York.

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The Ladies' Concordia Society will have a card party this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Harmony Circle.

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Miss Louise Flanagan, of Roanoke, Va., is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. R. F. Campbell, No. 511 Dock street.

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Miss Albena M. Viner, of Washington, D. C., is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Viner, of this city.

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The menu committee of the Helen Alexander League will meet in the Y. W. C. A. building at 11 o'clock this morning.

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The regular meeting of the music department of North Carolina Sorosis has been postponed and announcement of the date will be made later.

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Mrs. Preston L. Bridgers, who has been visiting her daughters, Mrs. Walter Alexander, and Mrs. W. S. O'B. Robinson, at Charlotte, has returned home.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Grace Methodist church will be held this afternoon. The topic for study will be Brazil.

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The Linen Auxiliary of the James Walker Memorial hospital will meet this morning at 11 o'clock in the directors' room of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company.

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Circle No. 3 of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. J. Mallard, No. 621 South Sixth street, at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. All members are urged to attend.

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The Inter-Se Cotillion club will have a masked ball at the Cape Fear Country club this evening, which is Valentine night. Special cars will leave Front and Princess streets at 8:45 o'clock.

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There will be a Valentine party at the home of Mrs. Carrie Gardner, No. 423 South Fifth avenue, this evening at 8:30 o'clock under the auspices of Circle No. 5, of Fifth Avenue Methodist church.

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The Parish Guild of St. John's Episcopal church will have a tea at the Parish house Thursday evening of this week from 8 to 10 o'clock. Members of the congregation and their friends are invited to attend.

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Wilmington friends will be interested in the following item from yesterday's Lumberton Robesonian: "Dr. Thos. F. Costner and family moved this morning from the Lorraine hotel, where they had been boarding for some weeks, to the Bond house, 210 Chestnut street."

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Members of the executive committee of the Westminster C. E. Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church were delightfully entertained Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Clark, No. 1 Postoffice avenue. There were about 20 guests present and a very pleasant evening was spent.

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There will be a Valentine party at the Y. W. C. A. tonight. The young ladies residing in the building, assisted by the social committee, will be hostesses and will have as their guests all the young women who have been residents at the association biulding since the organization. About 50 will be present and games appropriate to the festival occasion will be the feature of the evening.

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The Christian Endeavor Society of the Dock Street Christian church will give an oyster supper and valentine party in the church parlors tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. An attractive programme has been arranged, and an enjoyable time is promised to all who attend. A small admission fee will be charged, and the proceeds will go to the general church fund.

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Mrs. Conrad W. Stonebanks arrived in the city from Wilmington yesterday. She joined her husband, who has been here with the Thompson Electrical Company since the first of the year. Mr. Stonebanks is from one of the best known families of Raleigh. His relatives and host of friends here will be glad to learn that they are thinking of making their home here."

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IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL SPECIAL AID SOCIETY

All members and recently admitted members of the Wilmington branch of the National Special Aid Society are reminded of the meeting at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon in the high school hall. All the women of the city are cordially invited to attend.

The first aid to the injured class will meet in the senior classroom at the same hour. Dr. Codington will lecture.

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GREENSBORO HAS RAISED FOR Y. W. C. A. BUILDING $67,000

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 13.—With the close of the campaign for the Y. W. C. A. last evening, the total amount subscribed for the building for the association was brought to more than $67,000. This is slightly more than was subscribed for the Y. M. C. A. seven years ago in a similar campaign. A board of directors will be selected and a building committee will choose a lot, have plans drawn, and let the contract for the building.

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ASSOCIATION GIVES DANCE IN HONOR OF MISS GREENBERG

The Young Men's Hebrew Association of Wilmington gave a dance last night at their hall on Front street in honor of Miss Ethel Greenberg, of Durham.

The hall was prettily decorated for the occasion and there were 50 couples who participated in the dancing. Special music was furnished for the occasion and all the latest dances were included in the programme of selections.

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CONCERT AT HARNETT SCHOOL WAS A SPLENDID SUCCESS.

The concert given at the Cornelius Harnett school last night for the benefit of the school improvement fund was one of the most delightful events of the season. The attractive programme was charmingly rendered and each and every number was encored.

One of the special features was the singing of old fashioned songs led by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, accompanied by Mrs. Orrell. A large audience attended the performance.

Following is the programme:

Selection—West-Whitlock Orchestra.
Reading—"Hagar"—Miss Houston.
Whistling Solo—Miss Otten.
Selection—Orchestra.
Reading—Mrs. Howard Branch.
Solo—Mr. Murphy.
Selection—Orchestra.
Monologue—(The Professional Boarder)—Miss Pearsall.
A Scotch Dance—Mr. Southerland.
Selection—Orchestra.
Old Songs—"My Old Kentucky Home"; "Suwanee River"; "When You and I Were Young"; "America"; "Onward Christian Soldiers"; "Home Sweet Home"; "Listen to the Mocking Bird"; "Dixie's Land."

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RED CROSS SOCIETY WOULD BE READY IN EVENT OF WAR

According to a letter received by Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, president of the local chapter of the Red Cross, from National headquarters, the Red Cross will have its representative at every army base or camp, in the event that it becomes necessary to mobilize our army for war with Germany. Many women throughout the country go to the battle fronts as nurses, should our soldiers be called upon to fight.

The latter suggests that the names of volunteers, together with their instruction and duties, should be reported to headquarters, and that they should be thoroughly instructed that, though they are nominated and sent to the front by some specific body of the society, they will have to work under the general rules of the organization.

It should also be borne in mind, according to the communication from headquarters, that there should be a cordial spirit of co-operation existing between the Red Cross chapters and their local military organizations. One of the things suggested was refreshment stands for soldiers in transit, along the routes where soldiers are practically sure of passing.

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DELIGHTFUL CARD PARTY AT WARSAW GIVEN BY MRS. HILL.

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 14.—Mrs. Marshall Williams, of Faison, and Miss May Ashby Warden, of Washington City, whose engagement to Dr. Hicks Williams, assistant surgeon, U. S. N., was announced in Washington several weeks ago, were honor guests at the most delightful card party of the season, given by Mrs. William Lanier Hill at her home here, on Monday afternoon from 5 till 7 o'clock, the guests being relatives and a few friends of the hostess.

The note of the Valentine season was emphasized in the decorations and refreshments, a color scheme of red being employed in both. The score cards used at the five card tables were in the form of red hearts. A handsome box of bon-bons, tied with red ribbons, was given to Miss Warden after the game, Mrs. Charles Carroll making the presentation.

Mrs. Hill, assisted by Mrs. Ralph Honeycutt and Miss Sallie Hill, served an elaborate salad course, followed by a desert course, with heart shaped Valentines as favors.

The out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Williams and Mr. Roland Williams, of Faison; Miss May Ashby Warden and Mr. John Pierce, of Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Edward Gibson, of Boston, Mass.

LOCAL DOTS

—The Clyde Line steamer Cherokee cleared yesterday morning for Georgetown.

—The Brick Masons and Plasterers Industrial Union will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening at Bonitz Hall. All bricklayers, masons, and plasterers are requested to attend as matters of importance will be discussed.

—Friends of James E. Pangos will regret to learn of the death of his infant child, Cariacula, which occurred at his home, No. 420 South Sixth street, at 9 o'clock Monday evening. Funeral services were conducted from the residence at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Rev. R. E. Gribbin, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, and interment was made at Oakdale.

—The following deeds were filed yesterday in the office of the register of deeds: Jos. N. Cottle and wife to the Wilmington Truck Growers' Association, five acres of land located on Lineker and Schnibben avenues at Castle Haynes, for $800; John Hines and wife to Chas. S. Riley and wife, property at Love's Grove, for $10 and other considerations; Rev. J. S. Crowley to J. Albert Schroeder, property on Dawson street, for $10 and other considerations.

JUDGE H. G. CONNOR HERE TO OPEN FEDERAL COURT

Adjourned Fall Term Will be Convened Today at 10 A. M.

Judge H. G. Connor, who will preside over the adjourned fall term of Federal court, which convenes here this morning at 10 o'clock, arrived in the city last night from his home in Wilson.

The first case set for trial is that of the Wilmington Bridge Company and others against the Franco-Ottoman Shipping Company, charterers of the steamship Cromwell, and the Wilmington Towing Company. The plaintiffs are represented by T. W. Davis, Esq., and John D. Bellamy & Son, while J. O. Carr, Esq., Hon. George Rountree and Kirlin, Woolsey & Hickox appear for the defendants.

The only other case to be tried at this term of court is that of the Fisheries Product Company, charterers of various tugs, against the steamship Edilio, against which action is brought for $100,000 in a cause of salvage, the steamer in question having been floated off a bar at the mouth of the Cape Fear river on the night of October 30th, 1916, and it is alleged that this was made possible by reason of assistance rendered by the plaintiffs' tugs.

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THE DAY OF ST. VALENTINE

Wherein is Answered a Question That Has Caused the Wise Men Much Worry and Loss of Sleep.

So this then is the day of St. Valentine.

The day of all lovers, and the day when hearts are trumps, when little Dan Cupid reigns alone as the messenger of the gods.

Have you forgotten the time many years ago that you worked for nights, stealthily fashioning the little heart shaped epistle that would convey your burning love to the little girl who sat just across the aisle from you at school?

Have you forgotten how, early one morning, years ago today, you stole out early and left the precious message on her doorstep, and then scampered down the road like the old boy was after you before any one had time to answer the bell?

Ah, surely you remember how you watched her furtively from behind your geography to see if she would give you any sign that she had received it.

And you must remember what you told her in that crude gift. How you described her eyes as two pools where the fairies lived; her mouth as a rosebud drowned in a sea of cream; her teeth as the pearly guardians to the gateway of the gods.

And didn't you tell her, too, that you'd barter the keys of paradise to gain her, and then trample your chance for a kingdom under your feet to gain her smile?

Years later, didn't you get scared that she was engaged, and ask her to marry you just to find out, and then discovered that she wasn't by her answer, and you lacked ten years of being ready to trot in double harness?

And all because of a pesky valentine.

Still the learned men of the world say that they see no reason why the name of St. Valentine, a Christian martyr of the third century, should be connected with this modern day of hearts. Well the answer is not so hard. St. Valentine was a martyr, and your messages of love on this day of days led you to be a martyr, too. See?

So it isn't a misnomer after all.

STENOGRAPHERS WANTED.

Examinations to be Held in Wilmington on February 24—Also in March.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination in Wilmington on February 24, to provide a register of eligibles from which to make certification for filling vacancies as they may occur in positions requiring qualifications of stenography, typewriting or stenography and typewriting in the Federal classified service at or in the vicinity of the place of examination.

At the present time the following vacancies exist in the position of stenographer and typewriter (male): One each at Annapolis, Md., at $840 a year and at $3.04 a day; Norfolk, Va., at $60 a month and subsistence; Marion, N. C., at $900 a year, and Baltimore, Md., at $900 a year.

On March 3 there will be an examination for first grade or clerical help to fill vacancies in first grade or clerical positions in the Customs Service, in the positions of clerk, storekeeper, gauger, and storekeeper-gauger in the Internal Revenue service; and in other positions requiring similar qualifications.

BRONZE REPLICAS STOLEN FROM AIRLIE-ON-THE-SOUND

Mr. Pembroke Jones Offers Liberal Reward for Conviction of Thieves.

Two cast bronze replicas of deer were stolen from the premises of Airlie, the country home of Mr. Pembroke Jones on Wrightsville Sound, by some unknown person or persons last Saturday. These ornaments were near the entrance to the beautiful residence, both being works of art that were very much appreciated by Mr. Jones.

The identity of the thieves is not known, but Mr. Jones has authorized Mr. J. Luther Toon, who has charge of his affairs here, to offer a reward of $100 for information leading to the conviction of the parties. Mr. Jones was in the city last week but returned to his home in New York.

Arrested as Fugitive.

George Lee, colored, wanted in Haynesville, Ga., on a charge of larceny of three bales of cotton, was arrested yesterday afternoon by County Officer H. Mack Godwin on a warrant charging him with being a fugitive from justice. The warrant was sworn out before Capt. G. W. Smith, justice of the peace, at the police station here. Following the arrest, the prisoner was lodged in the county jail. In the event that the negro does not demand that requisition papers be taken out, he will be taken back to Georgia this morning by Deputy Sheriff J. H. Strickland, who came here yesterday for that purpose.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Capt. Thomas J. Sellers, formerly of Wilmington, but now of Norfolk, Va., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. John F. Clowe, on South Front street.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: George Reese, John Hartley, Goldsboro; D. S. Davis, Waxhaw; H. R. Krimbill, New Bern; F. L. Pegram, Charlotte; J. W. Dey, C. P. Dey, Beaufort.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: L. P. Porter, Councils; James B. Chuch, Southport; H. G. Connor, Wilson; R. C. Welfor, Wilson; J. D. Withers, Charlotte; P. W. D. Jones, Charlotte; F. B. Gault, Lake Waccamaw; Iver Robeson, Fayetteville; W. F. Pemick, Raleigh.

COL. METTS ON BORDER PATROL

Officer From Wilmington Assigned to New Duties in Texas

Of interest to his many friends in Wilmington is the announcement that Col. J. VanB. Metts, Second North Carolina regiment, has been assigned to command the Mexican border, succeeding Gen. Walter A. Harris, of Georgia. Orders to this effect were received by Colonel Metts at Camp Stewart, El Paso, this week, according to a press dispatch from there.

He will be in charge of both sections with two battalions of the Second regiment and four troops of cavalry under his commond. The third battalion, under Major Privott, will occupy the section now occupied by Maj. J. J. Bernard and the first battalion of the third and section battalion under Lieut.-Col. C. M. Faircloth will hold the second section south of El Paso.

"COOKING BY CALORIES" URGED

Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt Endorses Plan to Substitute Scientific Dieting For Present System.

"Cooking by calories," or by definitely ascertained values of the commoner foodstuffs, is heartily endorsed by Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, county health officer, as a means of combatting the greater cost of food.

Any Wilmington housewife who so desires may effect important economies by ordering her supplies for the table along the lines suggested in books containing sample menus for 365 days in the year, in which the values of the articles on the list are plainly stated and there requires little figuring on the part of the housewife to secure a balanced diet and the requisite number of calories.

A balanced diet, Dr. Nesbitt points out, consists of one part fats, two parts protein and ten parts starch. Proteid foods are meats, eggs and milk; fats include butter, cream and oils. Continuing, he said: "Investigation of food values has been under way a number of years, but definite methods of applying the result of these investigations have only been evolved with increased facilities and experiment.

"Within the past few months great impetus has been given the movement for dieting in accordance with food values rather than that of simply consulting the palate or taste, as a result of experiments with diet squads which prove that it is possible to supply the body's food requirements at greatly decreased expenditures by eating in accordance with scientific principles."

By reference to the table of food values published in a recent issue of The Star it can be seen that theoretically an adult could secure the requisite number of calories required by a person of sedentary habits by simply eating three loaves of bread a day. A loaf of bread, which averages about 70 calories to the ounce, if eaten at each meal furnishes the body with 3,310 calories. Although bread is rightly regarded as 'the staff of life" such a diet could not be regarded as well-balanced.

Rice, which aggregates 98 calories to the ounce, is probably the only article of food that hasn't greatly increased in price within the past two years. Its unpopularity is probably due to the fact that few housewives know how to cook it properly. A Chino or Filipino can do a hard day's work eating only a bowl of rice at each meal and a negligible quantity of sardines or dried fish.

NATIONAL SPECIAL AID DOING A GREAT WORK.

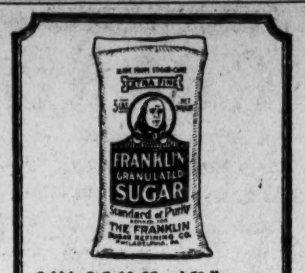
Report of Their Publicity Committee Proves Interesting.

The report of the publicity committee of the Wilmington chapter of the National Special Aid Society, which has just been submitted to the chairman, Mrs. Alfred M. Waddell, shows the wonderful interest that is being aroused in the city and community by the work of this great organization.

When war clouds began to lower over the country, the society made a canvass of the city to secure the name of every able bodied woman who was willing to do something for the aid of her country. They realized what great responsibilities would fall upon the unaccustomed shoulders of the women of the land, should all the men be carried away to war.

The city has been divided and subdivided into sections or districts and the work of registration is going on rapidly.

Units are formed for instruction in various branches, with a chairman over each unit. Should the dogs of war at last really slip over their leash, overrun the country, this society will be of inestimable value.



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NOTICE!

Wanted, all bricklayers, masons and plasterers to attend meeting Wednesday night, February 14. Very important business will be attended to, and it is very necessary that all interested should be present. The meeting will be held at Bonitz Hall, 213 Princess street, at 7:30 p. m.

(Signed) J. V. GRAHAM,
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Some of the noblest scenery in America will also be shown during a ride through Yosemite National Park. It abounds with memorable views of jagged peaks ,incomparable vistas of nature and rivers strolling majestically from dizzy heights. Then, too, a rich measure of merriment and humor are provided by the quaint antics and rollicking humor of entirely new and original animated cartoons.

The matinee prices will be 25 cents and 35 cents. Children 15 cents to any seat. Night prices will be from 25 cents to 50 cents. Seats are selling at Elvington's.

Valeska Suratt—Grand Today.

Valeska Surat, the far-famed film and stage beauty, is today's big offering at the Grand, appearing in a mammoth William Fox "Photoplay Supreme" entitled "The Victim," a photoplay of surpassing depth of emotional extent and with a vivid theme from real life.

The might of the law, a father's injustice, and the schemes of a vengeful man combine to make Valeska Surat the victim in this new photoplay. It is the story of a woman's battle against the world, and the overwhelming fate which defeats her sternest efforts to leave a pathway beset by criminals, and strike out for herself on a higher plane. Against all her efforts, the talons of crime continued to close relentlessly about her writhing figure. Hopeless, she struggled to be free, but until the very end the force of circumstances is too much for her, and as her father's wrong brings its trail of sin and suffering into her own life and threatens to wreck her happiness. She wins against almost insuperable odds in the end, furnishing the required happy ending. She is supported by beautiful Claire Whitney in this great Fox feature.

Patrons are advised that Fox Features will hereafter be a regular part of the Grand program, coming every Wednesday.

New Show at Royal.

Today Guy Johnson and his all-star aggregation present a brand new show, one of the very biggest in the entire repertoire of this company, according to the word of Mr. Johnson himself, entitled, "The Sleep Walker," featuring Guy Johnson in his very greatest and most laughable blackface role, supported by Elsie Johnson and Harry Meyers in the leading roles.

Never was Guy Johnson afforded greater opportunities for laugh-producing work than in "The Sleep Walker," which abounds in natural comedy situations from start to finish. Another sterling feature of today's bill is the great singing and musical act to be presented by Weist and Meyers "Two Singing Lads and a Piano." They present the greatest bunch of novelty harmony songs and piano novelty accompaniment that have been seen on a local stage this season.

The Dolly Dimple Quartette will present a new bunch of songs and novelties which will undoubtedly make the biggest hit of the week, and Louise Wright and Grace Hutchison, the two soubrettes of the company, will also come in for their share. It is a show that the management fully guarantees to be equal to or better than Monday's.

Today two great Paramount comedies will be presented—"Bridget's Blunder", a big Black Diamond scream, and a great Bray-Paramount cartoon comedy.

Double Treat at Bijou.

There is a big double treat in store for Bijou patrons today. There are two big features, each of which is guaranteed to be worth more than the entire admission price to everyone.

Of course, the head liner for today is the latest great chapter of "A Lass of the Lumberlands", the 11th mammoth chapter, just four weeks from the finale of this greatest of all serials in which the daring Helen Holmes has ever appeared. There are as many thrills in the two reels of the 11th chapter of this great serial as there are ordinarily in a half dozen reels. They are packed in one right after another, like sardines in a can, and you won't have time for a long breath for the entire half hour that it is on the screen.

Louise Lovely, the daintiest and most beautiful of all Bluebird Stars, was loaned to Universal long enough to play the leading role in a big two-reel Imp dramatic gem, "The Fugitive," and that rare treat is also on today's bill at the Bijou, a rare treat indeed even to get the opportunity of gazing on this vision of loveliness for the space of a half hour. But there's more to it—for "The Fugitive" is a drama, tense with big action and exciting all the way through, with some really wonderful dramatic acting.

Big New Serial at Grand.

The wide range of Beverly Bayne's power as a screen star is emphatically shown by the fact that she has stepped from the great role of "Juliet" in Shakespeare's immortal classic into that of a modern New York society girl, a role she essays in "The Great Secret," the big Metro serial coming to the Grand, beginning Friday, in which she is co-star with the crowned sovereign of the screen, Franvis X. Bushman. And it is needless to say that she portrays the latter role just as charmingly as she did Shakespeare's heroine.

Francis X. Bushman is furnished the best role of his entire career in this great serial, playing no less than seven different characters throughout its 15 chapters.

The theme of "The Great Secret" in short, is as follows:

The Secret Seven, a band of brainy criminals, is ruled by a man who holds a great secret affecting his fellow conspirators. He is known only as the Great Master.

Thomas Clarke, multi-millionaire, a member of the Secret Seven, becomes desperately ill and decides to give his wealth to his niece, Beverly Clarke, whose father he has sworn to defend. The Secret Seven are determined that they shall get his millions. Clarke sends for his niece, who is living in poverty.

While she is on her way to his home she is kidnapped by henchmen of the Secret Seven, but is rescued by William Montgomery Strong, a wealthy young clubman. Clarke gives Strong and Beverly a casket containing tainted treasure. Then follows desperate plots on the part of the Secret Seven for possession of the casket. Romance then enters into the story—one girl's honor against the love of another for Strong.

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VALESKA SURATT

The Fascinating Screen Beauty in the William Fox Production, "The Victim," at the Grand Today.

MR. DAVIS ISSUES STATEMENT.

Anti-Saloon League Superintendent Says Fight Will Continue.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 13.—Superintendent R. L. Davis, of the State Anti-Saloon League, has issued a statement in which he reviews the progress of the Anti-Saloon League "bone dry" bill from its introduction in the House by Gardner, of Yancey, January 26, to its present status of lifelessness on the unfavorable calendar of the House, where it was committed by the House committee on liquor traffic, and declares that the General Assembly still has time to act and respond to the requests of the prohibition forces and pass some other bill of like nature. He pleads that a bone dry bill should be passed because such measures are being passed by states all around North Carolina. He says the pouring in of petitions to the present General Assembly for such legislation will continue throughout the present session, and the fight will be continued to victory whether it take two weeks or ten years.

Notes From Maxton.

Maxton, N. C., Feb. 13.—Mr. A. H. Currie is reported very ill at his home here, possibly with pneumonia.——Rev. J. H. Dixon, of Red Springs, filled the pulpit of Dr. Hill here Sunday night and solicited funds for endowing a Bible chair at Flora Macdonald College in memory of Dr. Hill.——Several members of Maxton church expect to attend the Laymen's Convention at Lexington, Ky., February 20-22.

Dr. Chambers at Wake Forest.

Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 13.—Dr. R. E. Chambers, who for the past several years has been engaged in active missionary work in China, spoke to the students of Wake Forest College at chapel exercises today. In a stirring quarter of an hour speech the speaker plead for Wake Forest men to heed China's call.

A GLASS-COVERED FARM

How New Jerseyites Furnish Ripe Tomatoes in Winter.

(Philadelphia North American)

Winter farming under glass is becoming a thriving industry in New Jersey. It bids fair to be further stimulated by soaring prices and the general scarcity of fresh farm products such as can be successfully stored and held over after the regular summer growing season.

There are a number of these "winter farms" in various parts of the State, but few of them have made greater growth or have so large an output as the one operated in Deerfield township, Cumberland county, by the Seabrook's Farms Company, which has gained fame in recent years by reason of its extensive irrigation system, covering several hundred acres.

There are six greenhouses. They are built of steel and glass and each is 300 fet long by 60 feet wide. Care has been taken in laying out this "winter farm" to take every advantage of the sunshine.

With the frigid winter world shut outside by the expansive glass roof, this snug "farm" has a succession of winter days right in the midst of the bleak months of December, January and February.

The "farming" under glass is done on a very intensive scale. Three or four crops of such vegetables as radishes can be raised during a single season and no space is permitted to go to waste.

Cucumbers have special wire trellises to climb over, and, unlike those in the ordinary garden, the vines are not permitted to ramble about at will.

It is the greenhouse grown tomatoes that require the most attention. After the tomato plants are set in the ground each one is carefully staked. Lateral branches are carefully pruned off and the vine or plants is trained into an upright, single stalk. As the flowers develop they are pollenized carefully by a gentle shaking provess. The leaves are cut away from around the clusters of fruit as they develop. As this process proceeds the green and ripening tomatoes hang in bunches along the single upright stalk.

SCOUT LASSOED DROWNING BOY.

Lad Who Is "Always Prepared" Saved Life When Others Failed.

William Schabb, nineteen years old, and William Lincoln, eighteen, both of Philadelphia, owe their lives to the fact that Boy Scouts are always prepared. Schabb and Lincoln with hundreds of others were on the ice enjoying an afternoon's sport when Schabb struck a dangerous spot and went through. Each time he tried to climb out the ice broke under him, and i ntrying to rescue his companian Lincoln also went into the water.

William Childs, who is known as the champion swimmer of Darby, happened to be skating nearby and was summoned, but he was unable to get near enough to the boys in the water to do them any good. At this moment Robert Clutch, Jr., of the Darby Boy Scouts, came on the scene. His troop had been told that just such accidents as the one he now witnessed might be expected and Clutch had prepared for it by equipping himself with a Safety First rope. The use of the rope made the rescue an easy matter, though Schabb was so exhausted that he could not hold on to the rope and had to be lassoed.

UP JUMPS THE ONION.

And Even Sauerkraut Hoists the Cost of Living.

(From the St. Louis Star.)

No longer is an onion breath plebian. And if a neighbor talks of having had corned beef and cabbage for dinner, do not think the less of him. For onions, with cabbage and potatoes, have gone sky high. Incidentally, sauerkraut and pigs' feet no longer are "common" fare.

Cabbage has gone up 1,000 per cent; onions have gone up 1,200 per cent (in two years) and sauerkraut 400 per cent, though commission men of Third street say they are not able to obtain quotations. The Irish potato is quoted from $2 to $2.20 a bushel to jobbers, against $1.10 to $1.15 last year and 46 to 50 cents in 1915.

Cabbage last year at this time sold at $13 to $15 a ton, but now has reached a top price when a small lot is sold on a basis of $120 a ton.

Sauerkraut last year sold for $2.50 a barrel. This year it is quoted at $10 a barrel, but Third street brokers have defied anyone to buy it at that price.

BOY SCOUT SABBATH.

Special Services for Boys in Churches and Synagogues.

Pastors and rabbis in all parts of the United States will devote a service to the Boy Scouts of America dur-Anniversary Week, February 8th, to 15th. Boy Scouts will attend these services in uniform and listen to addresses and sermons of special interest to them.

The Scout law and oath have proved a tremendous force in building up the character of American boys, and during the special scout services those who direct the religious life of the youth of this country will have an opportunity to speak directly to Scouts and Scoutmasters and encourage and advise them in promoting this work which has proved such a tremendous benefit to the younger generation in America.

WRECK NARROWLY AVERTED

Norfolk-Wilmington Train Partially Derailed Near Bowden.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 13.—Norfolk and Wilmington train number 49, of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, had two trucks derailed near Bowden, three miles from here, Monday afternoon, which delayed the train for several hours. The accident, which came near being a serious one, was caused by a dynamo of one of the cars dropping on the track, which caused the trucks of two of the passenger coaches to be derailed. None of the passengers or crew were hurt, but several were badly shaken. It was due to the quick action and foresight of Engineer Horne that no greater damage was done.

Small Fire at Chadbourn

Chadbourn, N. C., Feb. 13.—A small fire this morning partially destroyed the roof of Mr. Bert Sole's residence near the high school building. The assistance of neighbors and the school boys quickly extinguished the blaze before great damage was done.

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SOFT FABRICS Make Spring Blouses Charming

by Hester Winthrop

Many Tucks and Buttons Closely Grouped, Trim the New Net Waists - The Beau Brummel Frill is a Noteworthy Feature

A Very Smart Type of Costume Blouse, of Pale Yellow Georgette with Beaded Armholes and Much Hand-Tucking

A Sport Blouse in Simple Tailored Style, but Fashioned of Soft White Washable Satin

Chiffon Tunics or "Chemise Blouses" are tied in with a Soft Sash

Blouse Collars will Lie Flat and Sleeves are Full Below the Elbow

Chemise Tunics of Chiffon Most Graceful Garment In Woman's Wardrobe In Years - Button In Back Models and Short Sleeves Again Favored By Fashion - Cashmere Sport Shirts.

THE new spring blouses are so soft and sheer that most of them can be drawn through a bracelet, and in consequence grace and daintiness are their salient characteristics. Chiffons, crepe Georgette, softest silks, washable satin, lace and crepe de chine are the materials used for the more dressy models, the matinee and costume blouses which will accompany spring tailored suits of silk, serge and the wool and mohair weave which is so fashionable in Paris just now. Sport blouses, and the simpler tub models for wear with separate skirts, of which there are numberless new styles, are of washable silks, handkerchief linen and organdy—the latter fabric having a tremendous vogue for blouse wear just now. New and excessively smart is the cashmere sport shirt, a trimly mannish affair with link cuffs and turnover collar like a masculine negligee shirt, and cut amply to fit in the loose, graceful manner desired without gathers or tucks at the shoulder. These cashmere blouses have been the rage at Aiken during the winter sport season and have been worn with riding and golfing costumes by the women whose word on dress is authoritative. The finest all-wool cashmere is used—white cashmere almost invariably—and the blouse is stitched within and without with silk thread, even the seams showing this mark of exclusive finish. The white cashmere blouses are supposed to launder satisfactorily—and they will if very carefully treated and not submitted to very hot water, too strong a soap or too hot an iron—but dry cleaning is the best way to freshen them, and most women buy four or five so that there may be no delay while soiled models are at the cleaner's.

Colored Organdy Combined With White.

A great many of the dainty organdy blouses show touches of color and some are of colored organdy with white touches. The "color" is invariably the palest tint, for daintiness is the keynote in new blousewear, and only flesh pinks, soft, faint blues, a creamy tan and palest daffodil yellows are permitted. Colored blouses of this sort have fine hand embroideries done in white, closely set rows of small pearl buttons and narrow hems of white organdy for trimming. The white blouses show narrow hems in color and lines of embroidery in the new "running-stitch" or "darning-stitch," done with ordinary sewing silk. This new embroidery is the craze in Paris now and is put on frocks as well as blouses. When there are several lines of the darning-stitch put close together in shaded tones of one color, the effect is very dainty, and the trimming may outline straight edges or be curved in scroll effect.

Pintucks Everywhere.

Fullness, this year, is almost invariably put in with pintucks so that there is no effect of bulkiness anywhere. Pintucks are run in across the shoulders at back as well as front, and sometimes groups of these tiny tucks control the fullness of the sleeve, above the cuff. In several of today's pictured blouses you will note the dainty pintucking that is so much more fashionable than shirring or gathers. In the chiffon chemise blouse, one of the prettiest and smartest models pictured, the pintucks are simply laid in the material at top of sleeve and edge of yoke and are not stitched below, but the effect is much softer than would be the case had gathering threads been used. These chemise blouses are delightful additions to woman's wardrobe—no other garment brought out recently has possessed more grace. Such a blouse is becoming to any figure, even a stout one, for the material falls so softly and the knotted sash may be adjusted high or low to suit the lines of the silhouette. The blouse pictured is of flesh pink chiffon with running stitch embroidery such as has been described, done with two shades of pink sewing silk on epaulet-yoke and cuffs. The blouse is entirely made by hand save for the hemstitching and picot edge on cuff and collar. These chemise tunics come in white and pale colors and also in navy blue, plum, brown and other dark shades.

Net Blouses Over Colored Linings.

Another evidence of the fancy for color in blousewear is the placing of tinted linings under airy net blouses. These linings are usually of chiffon or very thin silk for there must be no suggestion of substantiability about the spring blouse. The lining is quite separate from the blouse and is provided with sleeves so that the color, or tint, shows through the net everywhere. One may have a pale blue lining, a pale pink and a pale yellow lining for one's net blouse, or wear it over an elaborate lace brassiere in pure white. The net blouse pictured is a good model in the tailored style. Groups of tucks on blouse and sleeve are very effective as trimming and the wide collar and cuff, fitted with pintucks are exceedingly smart. The broad jabot frill is a modish note of this season that should not be overlooked. These graceful frills escape from the unfastened fronts of new spring jackets though the blouse, collar and cuffs are hidden under the jacket. The line of closely set buttons down the front is another important style detail for spring. Some of the French blouses of white net have short sleeves—quite above the elbow with little plisse frills at the edge. Delightfully pretty are these new elbow-sleeved models which will surely be immediately taken up with enthusiasm, once they become known to American women; for nobody loves a long sleeve in summer time. The short sleeve blouse, however, is intended only for dressy wear at matinee or restaurant, or at home in the afternoon, and there is absolutely no authority for wearing anything but a long sleeve with any other sort of blouse.

Button-In-Back Models Appear Again.

Not a few of the new blouses fasten at the back and one of these models is pictured, a costume blouse of daffodil Georgette, with many pintucks and some beads. This is an over-the-waistline model, and the outer tunic has very large armholes outlined with beads. The sleeves are drawn into narrow bracelets trimmed with the beads, tiny frills of the Georgette falling over the hand at the outer side. The tiny white "milk" beads are sewed in groups on Nattier blue velvet ribbon and make a striking trimming for the blouse. A Paquin button-in-back blouse is made of soiree silk in white, flesh or yellow, with sleeves of matching chiffon. The back fastens with three silk-covered buttons placed on an oblique flap, and the front drapes itself in a sort of reversed hood effect to show a vest of chiffon like the sleeves. Collar and cuffs are of the silk. Another fasten-in-back blouse comes from Suzanne Lievain. This model is made of yellow Georgette and fits very loosely, bagging over the waistline, while sash ends of the material coming from the back, are knotted over the skirt in front. Pointed epaulets and collar sections of cream filet lace, a bead tassel swinging from each of the four points, outline a shallow square decolletage. And by the way, the square necked blouse is tremendously the thing—if one can wear it. The V-shaped neck opening is much more becoming to the average woman, and let her who is past the dimpled days of youth beware of the round or Dutch neck, which is coming in again.

Wash Blouses Of Silken Material.

Two very exclusive tub blouses are pictured; one of white washable satin and the other of flesh pink washable crepe. Either of these waists will be suitable with a sport suit of more formal type or with a tailored street suit for spring. The washable satin blouse is a very good example of the best type of tailored sport blouse. Its lines are simple but the cut is masterly, loose and graceful lines are achieved without undue fullness and the collar has the new flat line now prescribed by fashion. Flaring collars are no more and the new blouse aims at simplicity about the neck, revealing instead of disguising the charming lines of throat and shoulder. The sport blouse invariably fastens at the front and has long sleeves fitted into cuffs. The washable satin model pictured has regulation coat sleeves of mannish type; the blouse of washable crepe shows the new full sleeve, quite flat at the armhole but bulging to generous width below the elbow and then tapering in again at the wrist. This blouse is very dainty, both in color and material. There are hemstitched tucks across front and back and the small collar, slashed into points at the sides, is trimmed with crochet ball buttons. These buttons weight a narrow tie of flesh pink silk and weight dangling ornaments on the sleeves.

Over-the-waist blouses are shown in many materials; one of the prettiest models comes from Cheruit and is of citron-colored crepe de chine, hand-embroidered with blue beads. Every Cheruit blouse has pockets of one sort or another and this model shows them outlined with rows of the tiny beads.

Fashion Puts Special Emphasis on Hand Bags

THE handbag is now almost as important an item of the costume as the boot—and that is saying a good deal for women have been putting a good deal of stress on the footwear question during the last few years. But a smart and modern handbag one must carry, or own to a serious blot on one's sartorial escutcheon; and moreover, since the handbag is now a composite part of the correct toilette, several different kinds of bags must be numbered among one's supply; for the bag carried with the tailored suit would never, never do with a formal afternoon costume, or vice versa.

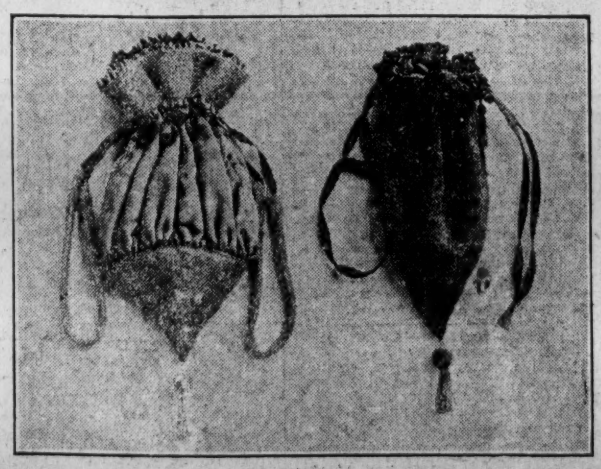
Unfortunately, just when one must have so many of these pretty trifles, the price of handbags is steadily soaring. One reason for this is the shortage of leather—pin seal and morocco, old standbys for handbag use, are almost impossible to obtain in sufficient quantity. Skilled labor is also scarce; handbag makers expert in their art are usually foreigners and most of them are now fighting for their countries instead of making bags for women's use. The dearth of leather means of course, fabric bags in great number, but the reticules of silk, velvet and Paisley are so charming that no one gives a regretful thought to the neat leather affairs that used to swing from feminine fingers. As might be expected, though, now that all the feminine world has taken to carrying fabric handbags, women who must be exclusive and ultra smart are demanding leather bags—just to be different! The exceedingly chic bag for spring, therefore, is of glazed kid to match the soft kid of the boot, and twin orders are given by milady these days; one order going to the bootmaker for a pair of distracting buttoned walking boots of fine glazed kid and the other order to a bagmaker for a spring handbag of exactly the same material. These new glazed kid bags have metal frames—another reversion to an aforetime fashion—and sometimes frames of delicately etched or engraved silver. Of course, such a bag is exquisitely lined and fitted with mirror, change purse and vanity belongings.

These new kid bags are quite different in appearance from the prim, plain leather bags of a few seasons ago. The shapes are very fanciful and an oval or melon design seems best liked. As oval as a pigskin football is a smart little bag of pale tan glazed kid just from Paris. The frame is of composition, bordered with small rhinestones and the handle is flat, like a leather strap.

Some of the Paisley bags are appallingly expensive and cost up to thirty or forty dollars each, but there are models of black satin trimmed with Paisley that may be had for from five to ten dollars. Fifteen dollars is really a modest price to pay for a smart bag just now and twenty dollars is not exorbitant—if one can afford to be particular about the small belongings of the costume. The pouch-shaped bag is most favored in Paisley and the top of the bag is drawn up on rings through which the cord handles run, or by a gilt or silver gate-top with slender chain handle. Such a bag, in long and very narrow pouch shape, has around its center or widest portion, three rows of narrow black satin ribbon, closely pleated. Jade bracelets and silk tassels attached to small jade rings may be bought, all ready to attach to pouch handbags made at home. A nimble fingered woman can evolve a very stunning bag in this way, out of a bit of old Chinese brocade or Paisley shawl material. Very smart indeed is such a bag, made of black soiree silk beaded around the center with steel and green beads, and mounted with jade bracelet handles, a jade ring and tassel depending from the bottom. Snake handles are also popular on these pouch bags. The snake, made of beads and holding its tail in its mouth makes a bracelet, and a pair of snakes make twin bag handles.

One handsome bag with bracelet handles is made of a strip of ancient Chinese embroidery in wonderful shades of Chinese blue, pale apricot and cherry-blossom pink. Yellow and black are blended with these colors in the border. The bracelet handles are of imitation amber and the handsome tassels are of silk combining the shades in the Chinese embroidery. Another bag is beaded allover in pale gray with a leaf design in green and green letters in a wreath of pink-shaded roses. This bag boasts a hammered silver frame and silver chain handle.

Very beautiful examples of spring reticules are two other beaded bags. The pouch shape is used in both instances though one bag has a heading above the drawstrings and the other is finished with a narrow silk puffing. The larger bag is of French blue panne velvet with steel beading at top and bottom and very interesting rope handles made of steel beads. The other bag is entirely covered with bronze green beads and the handles



A French Blue Velvet Bag With Steel Beads And Beaded Handles; And Another Bag, Pouch-Shaped And Solidly Beaded In Bronze-Green.

Astonishing, How Many Things Can Go On A Theatre Bag! One Counts, Here, Gold Lace, White Lace, Chiffon, Silk Flowers, Tinted Silk And Even Batiste Embroidery.

are of black ribbon. Until one undertakes to revive one's past-and-gone accomplishment of beadwork, the late advance in steel bead prices has not interested one greatly; and one is apt to be rather overcome by it. Beads that used to be 10 cents a string are now 75 cents, and many of the stores are out of the beads and cannot promise when they will have more.

Two elaborate evening bags are typical examples of bag luxury for spring. Evening bags are growing larger and now hold a number of things beside kerchief and opera glass. One of these bags is of gold lace and French blue soiree silk, with a posy of gold roses and a cape collar of—fancy in a theatre bag—fine machine embroidery mounted on real Valenciennes lace. The other bag is a very capacious affair made of pale pink satin, [illegible] and pink galloon and [illegible] which [illegible] silk rose[illegible]

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON UP $4 PER BALE

Despite Lack of Special Activity or Excitement the Market Shows Extraordinary Strength.

New York, Feb. 13.—While there was no special activity or excitement, the cotton market showed extraordinary strength today with May selling up to 16.47 or more than $4 per bale above the closing figure of Saturday. That delivery closed at 16.44, with the general list closing very steady at a net advance of 57 to 86 points.

The market opened firm at an advance of 17 to 27 points in response to the firmness of Liverpool. Southwestern spot interests were buyers of March and bulls seemed to anticipate that the census report tomorrow would show a very heavy domestic mill consumption of cotton for the month of January, one private estimate placing it at 598,000 bales. Stop orders were uncovered as the market advanced, and the highest point of the day was reached in the late trading with March selling at 16.31 and July at 16.50 or 78 to 87 points net higher on the old crop, and about 63 to 64 points net higher of new crop months. This established the highest prices touched since the break in diplomatic relations with Germany. The chief feature of the advance was considered the continue steadiness of Southern spot markets.

	Open	High	Low	Close
March	15.69	16.31	15.69	16.30
May	15.83	16.47	15.83	16.44
July	15.95	16.50	15.92	16.48
Oct.	15.64	16.07	15.60	16.04
Dec.	——	16.23	15.74	16.16

Spot cotton, steady; middling 16.30.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans — Middling, 17.19; receipts, 5,914; sales, 5,600; stock, 445,984.

Galveston—Middling, 16.60; receipts, 13,108; exports, 18,899; sales, 725; stock, 299,730.

Mobile—Receipts, 238; stock, 13,040.

Savannah—Middling, 18.50; receipts, 659; stock, 180,631.

Charleston—Receipts, 107; stock, 57,587.

Wilmington—Middling, 16¼; receipts, 5; stock, 51,830.

Norfolk — Middling, 16.25; receipts, 392; sales, 20; stock, 99,809.

Baltimore—Stock, 11,217.

Boston—Middling, 15.55; receipts, 777; stock, 13,200.

Philadelphia — Middling, 16.55; receipts, 23; stock, 3,960.

New York—Middling, 16.30; exports, 2,247; stock, 164,217.

Minor Ports—Stock, 67,076.

Total today—Receipts, 21,223; exports, 21,146; stock, 1,407,381.

Total for week—Receipts, 49,118; exports, 25,208.

Total for season—Receipts, 5,712,918; exports, 3,860,593.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 16.45; receipts, 4,825; shipments, 6,529; sales, 150; stock, 162,287.

Memphis — Middling, 17.00; receipts, 2,140; shipments, 2,093; sales, 1,250; stock, 346,770.

Augusta—Middling, 16.63; receipts, 894; shipments, 260; stock, 129,003.

St. Louis—Receipts, 2,427; shipments, 2,680; stock, 30,389.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 252; shipments, 144; stock, 23,300.

Little Rock—Middling, 16.00; receipts, 872; shipments, 527; stock, 37,929.

Dallas—Middling, 16.25; sales, 35.

Montgomery—Middling, 16.25.

Total today—Receipts, 10,926; shipments, 12,233; stock, 720,678.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, February 13. — Cotton — Spot, firm. Good middling, 10:54; middling, 10:34; low middling, 10:66. Sales, 8,000 bales; 1,000 for speculation and export. Receipts, 48,000. Futures closed, near months, firm; distant, quiet. February, 10:52; February-March, 10.50; March-April, 10.47; April-May, 10.41; May-June, 10.36; June-July, 10.30; July-August, 10.25; August-September, 10.00; September-October, 9.77; October-November, 9.63; November-December, 9.56; December-January, 9.53; January-February, 9.50; February-March, 9.50.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, February 13. — Hogs—Weak, 5 cents under yesterday's average. Bulk, 12.20@12.40; light, 11.65@12.35; mixed, 12.10@12.45; heavy, 12.00@12.50; rough, 12.00@12.15; pigs, 9.60@10.85.

Cattle—Slow. Native beef cattle, 7.75@12.15; western steers, 7.85@10.25; stockers, 6.10@9.10; cows and heifers, 5.10@10.40; calves, 10.00@14.50.

Sheep — Strong. Wethers, 10.85@12.00; ewes, 8.25@11.25; lambs, 12.85@14.90.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, February 13. — Butter — Firm.

Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot, irregular; Rio, No. 7, 10; Santos, No. 4, 10½.

Sugar—Raw, firm; centrifugal, 5.02; molasses sugar, 4.15; refined, steady.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Prices 66 to 91 Points Higher Than the Quotation Saturday.

New Orleans, Feb. 13.—Improvement in spot accounts and reports of a better inquiry for cotton goods caused a buying movement in cotton on this market today which put prices, late in the session, 66 to 91 points over the closing quotations of last week.

It was a quiet day and the volume of sales was exceedingly small. Towards the close buyers of the early part of the day took profits and a small reaction from the highest resulted. Last prices were barely steady at a net gain of 51 to 74 points.

Cable advices that exports of both yarns and cloth from England during January were larger than during the same month last year had a bullish effect.

Little attention was paid to the political situation.

The opening was at the advance in sympathy with better cables than due. In the early trading prices were advanced 13 to 37 points. By noon the rise amounted to 32 to 43 points. Prices were at their highest in the afternoon. Closing bid:

March 15.97; May 15.97; July 55.99; October 15.48; December 15.58.

Spot cotton, nominal and unchanged. Sales on the spot 4,770 bales; to arrive 830; middling 17.19.

WHEAT PRICES ARE DOWN

Bearish Sentiment Caused by Possible Government Action to Protect the Rights on the High Seas.

Chicago, Feb. 13. — Bearish sentiment regarding wheat received impetus today from Washington reports that were taken to indicate a growing likelihood of extensive forcible measures to protect American interests on the high seas. Largely in consequence, early advances in price were more than offset and the market closed ¾ to 1⅛ net lower, with May at 1.73⅞ to 1.74, and July at 1.43½ to 1.43⅝. Corn lost ¾ to 1; oats, ½ to ¾, and provisions, 12½ to 25.

Close:

Wheat—May, 1.73⅞; July, 1.43½.

Corn—May, 1.01⅝; July, 1.00.

Oats—May, 55⅞; July, 54½.

Pork—May, 29.95; July, 29.30.

Lard—May, 16.57; July, 16.72.

Ribs—May, 15.72; July, 15.82.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.77¾; No. 3, red, 1.74½@1.75¼; No. 2, hard, nominal; No. 3, hard, 1.79.

Corn—No. 2, mixed, 99@99½; No. 2, white, 99@99½; No. 2, yellow, 99½@1.01.

MARINE.

MARIN EDIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,288 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,372 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—48c.

ROSIN—$5.60, $5.35.

TAR—$2.75-12c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$4.00, $4.00, $3.00.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $2.15-9c.; crude turpentine, $3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine 7

Rosin 61

Tar 160

Crude Turpentine ..... (—)

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 163 barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—16¼; same day last year, 11⅝c.

Receipts—(—) bales; same day last year, 56 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 77,078 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 146,151 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

February 13, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—18 barrels tar.

Str. Luray—28 barrels tar.

Geo. Slover—7 casks spirits turpentine; 61 barrels rosin; 114 barrels tar.

Total—7 casks spirits turpentine; 61 barrels tar; 160 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 13.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 70c to 80c bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 25c.; sides and shoulders, 25c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 23c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 37½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.

EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 13. — North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.35; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 13.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market steady, $1.50 per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo 4½c per lb.; Extra Prime, 4½c per lb.; Prime, 4c per lb.; Shelling Stock, 3 to 3¾c per lb.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, February 13. — Mercantile paper, 4. Sterling sixty day bills, 4.72¼; commercial sixty day bills on banks, 4.72¼; commercial sixty day bills, 4.72; demand, 4.75; cables, 4.76 7-16; bar silver, 79; Mexican dollars, 61½; government and railroad bonds, irregular. Time loans, firm. Sixty days, 3¾@4; ninety days, 4; six months, 4@4¼; call money, steady; ruling rate, 2½.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, February 13. — Beeves—No trading.

Calves—Steady. Veals, 13.00@12.60; culls, 8.00@11.00; fed calves, 8.00@9.00; barn yard calves, 7.00@7.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady. Common to ordinary sheep, ewes, 7.00@9.00; culls, 5.00@6.00; lambs, 13.00@15.50; culls, 12.00.

Hogs—Steady. Prime hogs, 12.75; pigs, 11.50@11.75; rough, 11.00@11.50.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, February 13. — Large government bids were made today for underwear, hosiery, cotton duck, gloves and other army supplies. Cotton goods were firmer; yarns easier, and men's wear and silks steady.

RAILWAY ISSUES IMPROVE

Stock Market Generally Displays Strength—Dealings Broad But of Insignificant Volume.

New York, Feb. 13.—The constructive character of much of the news over the holidays was followed by general strength in today's market. Dealings were broad but insignificant as to volume.

Exceptions to the general trend included New Haven, which duplicated its recent minimum quotation of 38 1-2 before recovering. In general, rails were substantially better, Union Pacific making a gross gain of 3 1-2 points, with one to three for St. Paul, Atchison, New York Central, Reading, LeHigh Valley and Rock Island. Canadian Pacific regained 3 points of last week's setback and Southern and Southwestern issues were higher on light offerings.

Shippings were consistently strong. Coppers and motors kept irregular pace with other speculative favorites and seasoned industrials were assisted by the steady inquiry for United States Steel at an extreme gain of 1 1-2 points.

American Woolen, Central Leather, Baldwin Locomotive, International Paper, General Electric and National Enameling were 1 to 2 points better, with 3 3-8 for Industrial Alcohol and 4 3-4 for Texas Company. Ohio Gas made an advance og 9 1-2 points. At no time, however, was the trading, except in steel and standard rails, more than tentative, the absence of outside participation being again a noteworthy incident.

Bonds, especially internationals, were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,660,000.

United States coupon 3's rose 3-4 per cent. and registered 4's declined one per cent. on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	26¼
American Beet Sugar	99½
American Can	43¾
American Car and Foundry	63
American Cotton Oil	43
American Locomotive	70½
American Smelting	98
American Sugar	106¼
American Tel and Tel	124⅛
American Tobacco	214½
American Zinc	36¼
Anaconda Copper	76
Atchison	102¼
Atlantic Coast Line	111
Baldwin Locomotive	54
Baltimore and Ohio	76½
Bethlehem Steel	391
Canadian Pacific	154¾
Central Leather	83⅝
Chesapeake and Ohio	59¼
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	82
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	27½
Colorado Fuel and Iron	43½
Consolidated Gas	122¼
Corn Products	21
Crucible Steel	65¼
Cuba Cane Sugar	36⅜
Erie	26⅜
General Electric	163¼
Great Northern, pfd	114
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	33⅜
Goodrich	55
Illinois Central	101⅛
Inspiration Copper	53½
Int. Mer. Marine, pfd	69
International Nickel	41½
International Paper	39½
Kansas City Southern	21½
Kennecott Copper	44
Lehigh Valley	73½
Louisville and Nashville	122¾
Liggett and Meyers	260
Lorillard Co	200
Maxwell Motors	52
Mexican Petroleum	89½
National Lead	54
New York Central	95¾
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	40
Norfolk and Western	128¾
Northern Pacific	104¼
Pennsylvania	54¾
Ray Consolidated Copper	25⅝
Reading	93½
Rep. Iron and Steel	76
Seaboard Air Line	15
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	33¾
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	60
Studebaker Corporation	103¾
Southern Pacific	93¾
Southern Railway	28⅞
Southern Railway, pfd	63
Tennessee Copper	15¼
Texas Co	218½
Union Pacific	138¾
United Fruit	138½
United States Rubber	52½
United States Steel	106¾
United States Steel, pfd	117½
Utah Copper	107¾
Virginia Caro. Chem	88
Wabash, Pfd., "B"	26
Western Union	94½
Westinghouse Electric	51½
Missouri Pac., W., I.	29

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 13. — Cotton seed oil was higher, on scattered short covering and with the firmness in cotton. Selling of March by refiners caused a setback in the afternoon, but final prices were 2 to 5 points above Saturday's close. Tenders, 400 barrels. Sales, 12,700 barrels. Close, firm. Spot, 12.70 bid. February, 12.70@12.80; March, 12.67@12.69; April, 12.33@12.36; May, 12.27@12.28; June, 12.26@12.28; July, 12.26@12.28; August, 12.25@12.27; September, 12.17@12.25.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 13. — Turpentine, firm, 49; sales, none; receipts, 128; shipments, 331; stock, 15,834.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 563; receipts 309, shipments, 470; stock, 79,348. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, 6.00; H, I, K, M, 6.20; N, 6.40; W G, 6.60; W W, 6.80.

ROADS BAD IN CRAVEN

Good Roads Built at Heavy Cost Are Going to Pieces This Winter

(Special Star Correspondence).

New Bern, N. C., Feb. 13.—Although thousands of dollars have in recent years been expended in the building and improving of the roads in Craven county, travelers over these public thoroughfares now claim that they are "the limit" as far as the question of non-usefulness goes and miles and miles of them are simply closed to traffic because it is impossible to pass over them on account of the deep mud.

Even the tarvia and bitulithic roads are going to pieces, having frozen and been broken by the heavy traffic.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 14, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 20 degrees; at 8 P. M., 33 degrees; maximum, 40 degrees; minimum, 20 degrees; mean, 30 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .28 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 7 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness and warmer Wednesday, probably followed by rain at night or on Thursday; somewhat colder Thursday in west portion.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 14, 1917.

Sun rises ..... 6:58 A. M.

Sun sets ..... 6:55 P. M.

Day's length ..... 10 hrs. 57 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	2:52	3:58	10:24	9:13
Southport	12:11	12:25	6:56	7:02
Masonboro Inl	12:00	12:14	6:36	6:42

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 13, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	cldy	66	42	.0
Asheville	clear	42	16	.0
Atlanta	clear	46	26	.0
Augusta	clear	48	26	.0
Baltimore pt	cldy	26	—	.0
Birmingh.	clear	56	28	.0
Boston	cldy	26	0	.0
Charleston	clear	42	30	.0
Charlotte	clear	40	20	.0
Chicago	cldy	30	14	.0
Galveston	cldy	60	48	.0
Jacksonv	clear	54	36	.0
Memphis	cldy	52	30	.0
Mobile	clear	62	38	.0
Montgom'y	clear	56	32	.0
New Orl	clear	64	40	.0
New York	cldy	24	0	.0
Oklahoma	cldy	56	30	.0
Palestine	cldy	58	36	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	28	0	.0
Raleigh	clear	36	14	.0
Savannah	clear	46	30	.0
Shreveport	clear	60	30	.0
St. Louis	cldy	42	22	.0
Washing'n	clear	26	2	.0

Wake Forest Bulletin Out.

Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 13.—The mid-winter number of the Bulletin of Wake Forest College is being mailed out this week. In addition to the regular departments the issue contains two feature articles.

war and the oil stocks

If you are interested in the effect present international conditions will have upon oil sales and upon the stock market prices of oil securities, we have prepared an interesting letter upon the subject which you may have free for the asking, if in your request you specify

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No. 90 8:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 8:20 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.
No. 57 7:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate points.	No. 58 9:25 A. M. Daily except Sunday

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

T. C. WHITE, Passenger Traffic Manager. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
16:30 A.M.	16:30 A.M.	x16:30 A.M.	z17:05 A.M.	17:15 A.M.	17:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
18:30 A.M.	18:30 A.M.	x18:30 A.M.	z19:05 A.M.	19:15 A.M.	19:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	110:20 A.M.	110:31 A.M.
11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
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3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	*2:25 P.M.	*2:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o3:00 P.M.	o3:11 P.M.
o4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o3:50 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
o4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o4:30 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o5:10 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	x6:40 P.M.	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	z7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

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6:45 A.M. Lv.	Goldsboro	Ar.	9:25 P.M.
7:40 A.M. Ar.	Selma	Lv.	8:38 P.M.
8:52 A.M. Ar.	Raleigh	Lv.	7:25 P.M.

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$23.45—Pensacola, Fla.

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$28.75—New Orleans, La.

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Better Reports From Dry Goods Markets and Improvement in Spots. Government Buying Has a Bullish Effect.

New Orleans, Feb. 13.—An advance of $4.50 a bale resulted today in the local cotton market on the strongest future months, from steady buying based on better reports from the dry goods markets and improved accounts from spot centers.

Reports of buying of cotton goods by the government were accepted as being particularly bullish and much favorable comment was aroused by English messages quoting government statistics to show that exports of yarns and cloths during January were larger than during the same month a year ago.

The opening was at the advance and the market stood at the rise all day, late in the session showing a net gain of 66 to 88 points.

MRS. INNES IS CONVICTED OF LARCENRY AFTER TRUST

Her Husband Recently Sentenced to Seven Years in Penitentiary

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 13.—Mrs. Ida May Innes, of Eugene, Ore., was convicted of larceny after trust in Superior court here tonight, according to announcement made by John M. Green, foreman of the trial jury. Both Mrs. Innes and her husband, Victor E. Innes, were brought here for trial on larceny charges after their acquittal in San Antonio, Texas, of the murder of Mrs. Eloise Nelms Dennis and Beatrice Nelms, of Atlanta. Innes recently was convicted and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary.

Trial of Mrs. Innes began yesterday, it being alleged that she had been connected with her husband in getting the two Atlanta women to trust them with several thousand dollars for investment purposes. When the case went to the jury late today after Mrs. Innes had made a statement to the jury denying the charges, Judge Ben Hill, presiding, announced that in case a verdict was returned tonight the jury should seal it and deliver it in court tomorrow. He granted permission, however, for the foreman to announce the verdict. Foreman Green said the verdict carried no recommendation of any kind.

STATE-WIDE AUSTRALIAN BALLOT SYSTEM BILL LACKS FRIENDS.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 13.—The Senate committee on elections gave a hearing this afternoon on the bill of Senator Jones for a State-wide Australian ballot system, Senator Jones and Editor James H. Caine, of the Asheville Citizen, being among the principal speakers for the bill.

The committee, Senator Oates chairman, took votes that were unanimous for Buncombe to have it and also favorable with lesser majorities to its application to Madison county and to the Tenth district. Only three voted for State-wide Australian system. With this situation in the committee, the whole matter was again left open for another hearing Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

To Move County Line.

The Senate committee having in hand the bill of Senator Jones to take three townships, including Mars Hill College, from Madison county and add to Buncombe county voted 4 to 5 for a favorable report this afternoon. Opposition claims that Madison would lose 20 per cent of population of the county and 15 per cent of the tax value.

ADDITIONAL GAINS MADE BY BRITISH

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heavy fire on the German positions north of the Ancre, this increasing to the most violent drumfire at nightfall. One trench near Serre was evacuated by the Germans during the preparatory fire without the British being aware of the movement, they directing an especially violent fire upon the abandoned trench.

"Between 9 and 10 p. m. the first of the British contingents initiated the attack over the snow-covered ground in the vicinity of Beaumont. They were sanguinarily repulsed. Two additional attacks at the same point also failed.

"Towards evening the British launched their fourth attack east of Beaucourt. This was made by a battalion supported by numerous machine guns. It was followed by violent hand-to-hand fighting during which one officer and more than thirty men were taken prisoner by the Germans. The attack was a complete failure.

"The British attempted two additional attacks with strong forces in this district. Soon after midnight they succeeded in penerating German trenches buried in snow after furious hand grenade fighting, but were ejected as the result of counter-attacks vigorously carried out. They sustained heavy casualties in dead and wounded and the Germans took several prisoners.

"At 4 a. m. the British made their sixth and last attack of the night, this breaking down, however, under the German curtain of fire."

SAYS U-BOAT MENACE NOT TO BE FATAL ONE

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old, Lord Lytton said that the counter measures put into effect already had achieved very considerable success and justified confidence in expectations for the future.

Lord Curzon adduced a set of figures which, he claimed, showed that the situation was less aggravating than might be supposed. Te said:

'In July, 1914, our mercantile marine consisted of 3,890 vessels in excess of 1,600 tons each, with a gross tonnage of 16,850,000. At the end of last January the decrease had been only between 5 and 6 per cent in gross tonnage. Armiral Jellicoe and those who have been with him are not dissatisfied with what has been done even in the last fortnight. They were not dissatisfied with the number of German submarines that would never return to their own shores."

SAYS UNIVERSAL TRAINING WILL NEVER BE A SUCCESS

General Young Says a Citizen Force is Only Logical Defense Force.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 13.—"Universal training, or compulsory military service will never be a success in the United States," declared Gen. Lawrence W. Young, commander of the North Carolina brigade of the National Guard, last night. General Young is spending a few days in Asheville with relatives before returning to the border. "The National Guard, a citizen force, is the logical solution of the defense problem of the United States," the general continued. "Give the militia a sympathetic administration of their affairs, and the men will turn out in sufficient numbers to provide an army for America and provide it in a hurry, if the call should come." General Young advocates a board made up of National Guard officers, to have entire charge of the affairs of the National Guard.

TREASURY DEFICIT OF OVER $333,000,000 IS FORECAST.

Senate Finance Committee Recommends Amendments to Revenue Bill.

Washington, Feb. 13.—A Treasury deficit of $333,400,000 at the end of the next fiscal year is forecast in a report submitted today by the Senate Finance committee, recommending that the administration revenue bill be amended to authorize a bond issue of $195,256,000 instead of $100,000,000 and that the authorization for certificates of indebtedness be made $500,000,000 instead of $30,000,000.

The recommendation for increases is based on revised Treasury Department estimates submitted to Congress since the bill passed the House, placing the Federal government's expenditures for the fiscal year 1918 at $1,400,000,000. The committee estimates that to meet this total and provide a working balance the amount which must be raised by bonds and new revenue legislation is $433,400,000.

GUNS PROBABLY INTENDED TO BE PLACED ON STEAMERS

Over 300 Said to Have Been Delivered at Ne wYork Navy Yard.

New York, Feb. 13.—There was being unloaded at the New York navy yard today from railroad lighters a large number of naval guns of various sizes which, according to information emanating from the yard, are intended for the arming of American merchantmen in case this policy is decided upon. It was said that more than 300 guns had been ordered delivere to the yard for this purpose.

Naval officers, according to the same information, have already made an examination of American merchantmen in New York to determine the size of the guns their structure will stand. Several four and six-inch guns have already been picked out for the St. Louis, it was said.

TRAILED BY STRANGE SHIP OFF FRYING PAN SHOALS

Captain Convinced Craft Was German Raider or Allied Cruiser

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 13.—Captain Gibson, of the American tanker J. M. Danzinger, in port today from Tampico, reported that when off Frying Pan Shoals Saturday, a large and fast steamer picked by the Danzinger and trailed her until Sunday, when she disappeared. He said the strange vessel had one stack, two masts and was painted dark. Several times, he said, the vessel encircled him. He said he was convinced the stranger was an allied cruiser or a German raider. He kept his flag up until the vessel disappeared.

ESMERALDA INN BURNED.

Bat Cave Hostelry Made Famous by "Movies" Destroyed by Fire.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Asheville, N. C., February 13. — Esmeralda Inn, at Bat Cave, the hostelry made famous by scores of "movie" actors, was burned to the ground yesterday, with all its contents, according to advices received here. Fire of an unknown origin was discovered early yesterday, but the flames had made such headway before noticed that saving any portion of the structure or its contents was impossible. The loss will total about $20,000, and there is but little insurance on the place.

FIGHT ON POSTAGE RATES IS NOW PROBABLY ENDED.

Washington, Feb. 13.—By a vote of 37 to 34 the Senate today refused to suspend its rules and permit attachment to the postoffice appropriation bill of an amendment increasing the postage rates on newspapers and magazines and decreasing to one cent the rate on drop letters. This is expected to end the fight on the provision at this session.

SUCCESSFULLY LOOPS THE LOOP IN HYDRO-AEROPLANE

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 13.—Captain Francis T. Evans, attached to the navy flying school here, successfully looped the loop in a hydro-aeroplane today at a height of several hundred feet. It was said to be the first successful somersault in a hydro-airplane in this country.

TIME FOR REPORT ON THE "LEAK" HEARING EXTENDED

Washington, Feb. 13.—Extension until February 23 of the time limit for a final report from the congressional "leak" inquiry committee was granted today by the House and immediately afterwards the committeemen left for New York where hearing will be resumed tomorrow.

Road Superintendent Named.

Wadesboro, N. C., Feb. 13.—All speculation as to whom the county commissioners were going to appoint to fill the position of road superintendent for Anson county was brought to an end today when the commissioners appointed Mr. John Lampley to this position. This place was created some time ago by the General Assembly and there were a number of applicants for the job, which pays $1,200 per year.

Asheville, N. C., February 13. — Dr. Calvin B. Waller, former pastor of the First Baptist church of Asheville, left today for Tennessee, where he will spend a week or more with his family, visiting relatives, before leaving to assume the pastorate of the Baptist White Temple, one of the largest churches in the Northwest. It is located at Portland, Ore.

Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 13.—The board of trustees of Wake Forest College in session in Raleigh approved of the purchase of the Walters' property of 160 acres for $21,000 for the new athletic field. Bursar E. B. Earnshaw and the superintendent of the buildings and the ground committee were appointed to have charge of the property.

MOTHER! GIVE CHILD "SYRUP OF FIGS" IF TONGUE IS COATED

If Cross, Feverish, Sick, Bilious, Clean Little Liver and Bowels.

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely.

A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sours, then your little one becomes cross, half sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.

NEWSPAPER MEN PROTEST AGAINST RATE INCREASE.

To Urge Southern Senator to Appose Raise in Second-Class Postage.

New Orleans, Feb. 13.—Members of the Southwestern Associated Press Association and the Tri-State Associated Press League at a joint meeting here today endorsed action taken yesterday by the Southern Publishers' Association at Chattanooga and decided to join with the Southern publishers in sending telegrams to Southern senators urging them to oppose any increases in second-class postage rates.

After the adoption of a resolution protesting against Federal legislation directed against liquor advertising, a telegram was sent to the chairman of the Senate Postoffice committee notifying h'm of the action.

President Wilson in a resolution was praised for "his interest in benalf of smaller papers in the news print investigation."

SPEAKER CHAMP CLARK IS NOW A GRANDFATHER.

House Cheers When Announcement is Made by Minority Leader Mann.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Announcement by Republican Leader Mann in the House today that a son has been born to Speaker Clark's daughter, Mrs. James M. Thompson, at New Orleans, aroused prolonged cheering.

"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin," the speaker said in acknowledgment.

Mrs. Thompson, whose husband is the publisher of the New Orleans Item, is the Speaker's only daughter.

WILL BECOME HEAD OF FARM LOAN BANK AT COLUMBIA

F. J. H. Von Engelken Resigns as Director of the Mint.

Washington, Feb. 13.—F. J. H. Von Engelken resigned today as director of the mint, and will become head of a farm land bank at Columbia, S. C. Raymond T. Baker, of Reno, Nevada, was nominated by President Wilson several days ago to the position after Mr. Von Engelken had announced his intention of resigning. Afterwards it was discovered the resignation had not actually been tendered.

Trucks For Aviation Field

Newport News, Va., Feb. 13.—Forty-six huge motor trucks have been ordered for use at Langley Field, the government aviation station near Hampton, Va., according to Capt. John O. Steger, commandant at the station. Work on the station will be begun early in the spring, the commandant says.

House Passes Pension Bill

Washington, Feb. 13.—The annual pension appropriation bill, carrying $160,000,000, was passed by the House today in fifteen minutes.

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FOR SUPPER, ONE POUND COTTAGE cheese, one box crackers or a loaf of bread, and pint of milk, will make supper for five people, all for 30 cents. Warren's Creamery. fe14-1t

FOR RENT—ONE OR TWO COMFORTable bed rooms, newly furnished, one block from Coast Line offices. Address P. O. Box 492, or 'phone 1923-W. fe14-1t*

WANTED — DEALERS TO HANDLE Briscoe $685.00 car direct with factory, in every county in the state. For particulars, write or wire me. J. H. Ham, factory representative; Charlotte, N. C.; No. 611 Realty bldg. fe14-1t

FOR SALE — ONE MULE, GOOD, sound condition. Will Rehder. fe14-1t

ATTRACTIVE APARTMENT OF TWO rooms and bath, in the Carolina Apartment House, Market and Fifth streets. Steam heat, artesian water, etc. Will be glad to show this to you. J. G. Wright & Son, Real Estate and Insurance Agents. fe14-2t

BARBER WANTED — FIRST CLASS white barber. Must be sober, reliable and good workman. Ellis' Barber Shop, 108 Princess street. fe14-1t*

NEW WAY MARKET — SPECIALS — Fancy western roast beef, 18 cents; real veal chops, 23 cents; small veal roasts, 20 cents. Dressed chickens, fresh eggs, celery, carrots, peas, cukes, beets, navy beans. 'Phones 816 and 817. fe14-1t

ATTRACTIVE FLOWER VALENTINES of double violets, carnations, etc.; baskets of flowers. Call and see display, or 'phone 1367-W. Mrs. Louisa P. Fowler, "Fifth Avenue Florist." fe14-1t*

WILMINGTON RAILWAY MAIL clerk examinations soon, $75.00 to $150.00 month. Vacations. Common education sufficient. Sample questions free. Write immediately. Franklin Institute, Dept. 328-B, Rochester, N. Y. ja 17-w,f,sa,su,m-23t*

"GASTINE" IS WHAT THE MOTORIST wants, eliminates carbon, gives 35 per cent more mileage, money back guarantee. Agents and dealers wanted. Write, Gastine Sales Co., 813 S. Sharf St., Baltimore, Md. ja 31-21t*

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FOR RENT—A TWO STORY HOUSE on Greenville Sound, with seven rooms; bath room, kitchen, two servant rooms and pantry. Water, sewerage, stables. James I. Metts. fe 11-su-we-fr-3t

PIANO BARGAINS — A NEW HIGH-grade player piano will be sold today at a sacrifice. Also a new high grade Upright Piano that is slightly shop worn. Both are guaranteed for years. Avail yourselves of this opportunity to get a real bargain. Costs nothing to investigate. Call today. Other bargains in second-hand instruments. Customers credit slips accepted in connection with the convertible chair table. Yopp-Woody Piano Co., 209 Princess. 'Phone 313. fe13-2t

FOR SALE — A WELL BUILT HOME in the town of Faison, N. C.; contains eight large rooms, two small rooms, also bath room and kitchen. Acetylene lights, furnace, barn and couple out houses. Lot about 300 feet by 220. Address C. E. Weatherby, Faison, N. C. fe13-7t*

FOR RENT — BEST LOCATED LARGE new brick garage in Hamlet, N. C. Address Vance Skipper, Lumberton, N. C. fe13-7t*

FORD OWNERS — MAKE A SIXTY-inch tread Ford out of a fifty-six inch tread for $15.00. Write us. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., Wilmington, N. C. fe13-7t

SPRINGS — FRONT SPRINGS FOR Ford cars, $3.00. Genuine seven leaf bushed spring. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., Wilmington, N. C. fe13-10t

FOR SALE — NICE PORTO RICO sweet potatoes, 85 cents per bushel (56 lbs.) F. O. B. Chadbourn, N. C., in 5-bushel lots. Cash with order. John V. Strole, Chadbourn, N. C. fe13-2t*

FOR SALE — INDEPENDENT ICE CO., 22 shares capital stock, $75.00-$70.00; now $65.00 per share. Par value, $100. Investigate and see how well it is officered and you will buy. It is a good bargain. Address "W," care Star. fe13-7t

WANTED — RED CEDAR TIMBER — Reliable company wants red cedar timber in large or small tracts. What have you to offer? Send description. Address "Red Cedar," care Star. fe13-10t

WANTED — SALESMAN OR BROKER with good reputation and acquaintance among the grocery, drug and confectionery trade in city and surrounding towns, to represent a progressive importer, packer and distributor of food products. Address Evan W. Hook & Co., Inc., Cheapside, Baltimore, Md. fe12-7t

WANTED—OLD FALSE TEETH, DON'T matter if broken. I pay $1.00 to $5.00 per set. Mail to L. Mazer, 2007 South Fifth street, Philadelphia, Pa. Will send cash by return mail. fe 11-21t*

FOR SALE—ONE FIVE PASSENGER Maxwell, 1915 model, 35 horsepower, in first class condition. A bargain. Box No. 223, Goldsboro, N. C. fe 11-7t*

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WANTED—A-NO. 1 LATH MILL FOREman, either day or contract work. Anderson Lumber Corporation, Marion, S. C. fe 10-7t

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